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Mr. Joseph Kennedy, U.S. Ambassador, who

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Wear Crookes and knew what real eye-comfort means.

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"LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter -Sensational reports are published by papers in London and New York that an eleven-point peace plan by Hitler was behind the recent discussions at Brenner Pass.

It is stated that this information has been obtained from a Vatican source but the Vatican officially denied the statement.

It is authoritatively stated in London that there is no knowledge at all of any peace plan. No such plan has been prepared, produced or Dut forward in any way.

The idea that Mr. Sumner Welles had brought peace terms from Berlin to London and Paris was also scouted.

Finnish Government To Resign En Bloc

STOCKHOLM. Mar. 19 (Reuter) -The Dagens Nyheter reports that Foreign Minister should reply. the Finnish Government will resign en bloc after the final ratifi- Oda, members of his Party rushed cation of the Finnish-Soviet to prevent it, while representatives Treaty in Moscow this week,

A FREE HAND COPENHAGEN, Mar. 19 (Reuter) free-for-all ensued. -The Stockholm correspondent of the newspaper" BT says that no dissatisfaction or disagreement is behind the decision which is only because the Prime Minister wishes der the agreement between the to give the President a free hand German and Soviet Governments. when the ratification documents 14,000 Polish refugees will shortly have been exchanged with Mos- return from Soviet-occupied Po-

this morning for this purpose. refugees.

In Tokyo Lower House SPEAKER'S DAIS

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Prime Minister, was loudly cheered when he rose to make his statement on the war, in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, says a Reuter message from London.

that country," he remarked.

for all lovers of freedom that the

(Cheers). Their Government still

holds office and their Army is in-

of all that we did, were unable to

save Finland from her fate, per-

haps our power to help Finland

is not yet at an end (Loud)

"We shall watch, with deepest sympathy, her efforts to rebuild-

her national life and if, as it

seems almost certain, that fur-

ther aid is required to help her to

her feet. I know that this coun-

iry, with others, will gladly take

its share in the contribution to

"The collapse of the Finnish

resistance caused a profound

shock throughout the world.

Once again, we are compelled to

see another small State the vic-

tim of that aggression which we

GERMAN PROPAGANDA

German propaganda would ex-

ploit this event to remove respon-

sibility (Cheers). Finland would

never have been invaded but for

the pact between Germany and

which might have saved her.

try and France, in any way, fai

for their friends, or themselves."

Mr. Chamberlain then said that

to Finland under two heads.

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MATERIAL AID

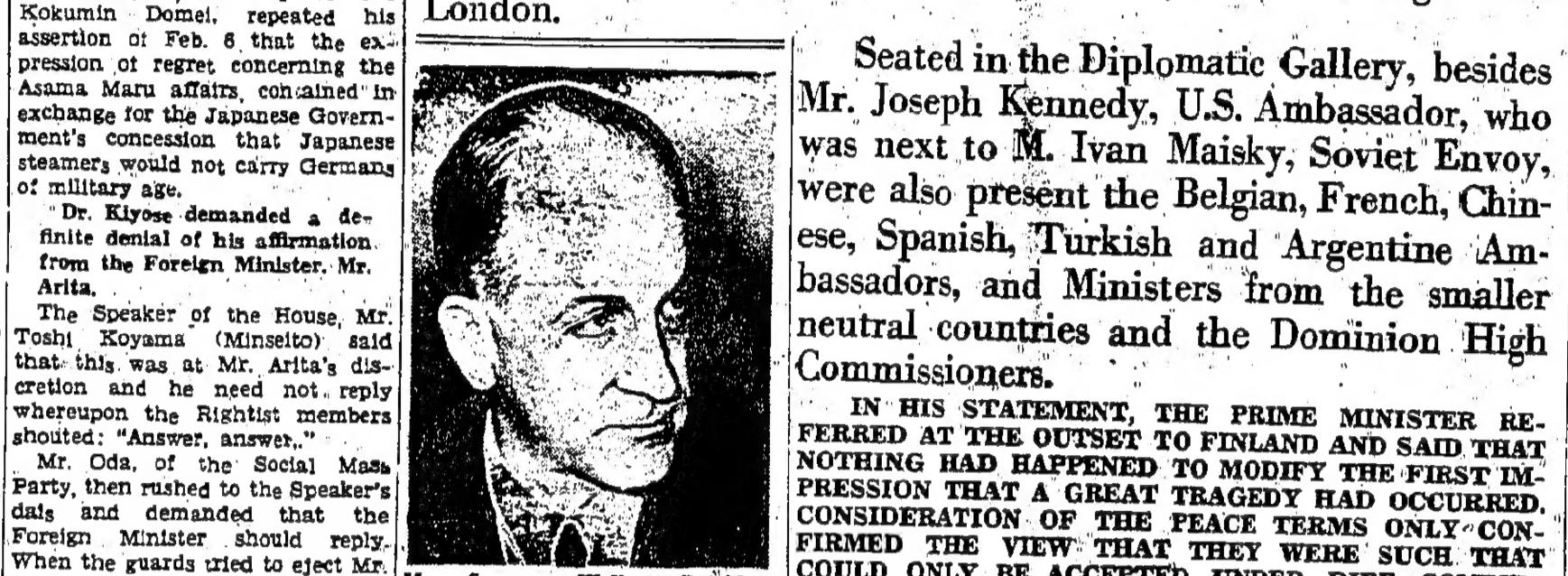
namely, material and men.

"Any suggestion that this coun-

the Soviet.

"It is only to be expected that

the regeneration of Finland.



Sumner Welles, President special observer Europe.

POLISH REFUGEES

BERLIN, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-Unland to the German part, accord-M. Voionmaa and M. Paasikivi, ing to the Official News Agency."

of the Minseito Party rallied to

RUSHED

TOKYO, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-

Pandemonium reigned in the Lower

House this afternoon when Dr.

Ichiro Kiyose, member of the

finite denial of his affirmation

shouted: "Answer, answer,."

of military age.

talks, left Stockholm for Moscow rangement for the exchange of

convoys. Only two neutral

ships had been lost, out of a

The French Minister for Navai

Thus, more than 15,000 ships

had been convoyed by the

Allied navies with a loss of only

The British vessels lost were the

trawler Halifax (165 tons), Melrose

"FANTASTIC STATEMENTS"

An Admiralty announcement

says: "Fantastic and untrue

statements of British losses at sea

are constantly being made by the

enemy, very often to obtain in-

A statement, containing a full

list of all British, allied and neu-

GERMAN LOSSES

(1,589) and Gardenia (3,745).

1,614 convoyed."

about one in 500.

formation."

such German claims.

been informed.

protect the Speaker and a general MR. WELLES AND AXIS MEETING

to withstand the overwhelming In the course of his statement superiority in numbers and equip-In the course of his statement superiority in numbers and equipin the House of Commons yesment of their foes. Their stand
that the Scapa Flow raid on Sa- the path of non-co-operation." berlain referred to the visit of have preserved their honour and Roosevelt's special European

py to welcome him and inform rim fully and frankly of the views." He was confident that Mr. Welles was able to get the actual views and sentiments of all sections of the community and see for himself the unity of purpose

When he returned to Italy, Mr. Welles found himself in the presence of a new eventthe meeting of the two Dictafors on the Brenner Pass. That meeting had neutrally given rise to many speculations

Some thought it was for the purpose of elaborating on "new peace proposals but Mr. Chamberlain said he did not know whether that was

more than 2,000 ships had also been convoyed by the French Navy ed by a German mine.

"Whatever may be the outcome we are ready to meet it. We are not likely to be diverted from the purpose for which we entered this war," concluded

Oil By Sea

LONDON Mar. 19 (Reuter)-Asked in the House of Commons and least of all, should such sug- telephone installed by the Associawhat steps are being taken to gestion come from individuals in tion so that members may ring up prevent passage across the Black countries far away from the seat for their cars, but no official in- occasions—in 1928, 1930 and 1937. It is also the policy of the Ad- Sea of oil destined for Germany of war (Prolonged cheers) and. miralty to publish loss of His by the Danube, Mr. R. H. Cross, who have never felt any anxiety Majesty's ships as soon as the Minister for Economic Warfare. next of kin of the casualties have replied that, in the absence of any contraband control in the Black he would deal with the assistance Sea, it is not possible to prevent The Germans lost three ships, the passage of oil by sea to Ger-In addition to the Hannover and many.

the La Coruna, the Escherheim, Under the Montreux Convention 3,303 tons, was reported, on March belligeren; warships cannot pass minded the House that this coun- announced in the House of Com-

"It is no use to pretend they do not gravely compromise the independence and integrity of SCAPA FLOW "It was a bitter thought, indeed, RAID WAS

turday was a fallure.

land over a hundred square miles posed by Congress. of mainland, says a Reuter mess-"If we, in this country, in spite

British Aid Finland

Giving a list of materials promised and sent, Mr. Chamberlain said that this would show that the advantages outweighed the disadvantages.

MATERIAIS

Aeroplanes	Promised.	Sent
Aeropianes	152	101
Guns	223	114.
Shells Vickers guns	297.200	185,000
Vickers guns	100	100
Marine mines	500	400
Hand-grenades	50 000	50,000
Aircraft bombs	. 2700	1,700
Anti-tank rifles	200	200
Respirators	60.000	60,000
Greatcoats	100.000	100,000
Battle dress	100.000	100,000
Ambulances	40	, 48
Anti-tank mines	20,000	10,000

Mr. Chamberlain added that the assistance also included number of minor items and large quantities of arms and ammuni-

India's Right To Frame Own Constitution

RAMGARH, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The right for India to frame her own constitution without outside interference was demanded by the Manlang Abdul Kalam Azad, President of the Indian National Congress, at the opening of the 53rd session today.

The Maulana added that the foundation of India's problem was whether she was entitled to determine her own fate or not. The whole question of India nationalism was based on this.

. The British Government die not accept the position that India had a right to self-deter-In the House of Commons yes- mination and he urged that India

An enquiry should be address One hundred and twenty-one ed to the world regarding whehigh explosive bombs and 500 in- ther there was a better solution cendiary bombs were dropped on to the problem than the one pro-

"Our success depends

John's Place: A.A. Meeting

Chandra Bose Denounces Mr. Gandhi

RAMGARH, Mar. 19 ((Reuter)-Subhas Chandra Bose, President of the All-India "Anti-Compromise" Congress, in his Presidential address, denounced Gandhi and the present Right Wing Congrees High Command charging the High Command with sidetracking the issue by a demand for a "fake constituent as sembly."

Chandra Bose added that, in the event of a compromise with Imperialism being effected, the Indian Left Wing would have to fight, not only Imperialism, but its new fangled Indian allies as

This must necessarily mean that the national struggle against Imperialism would be converted into a civil war between the Indians themselves.

upon and full confidence in Gandhi's discipline. leadership," he concluded,

OVER 15,000 VESSELS CONVOYED. BY ALLIED NAVIES WITH LOSS OF ONLY ABOUT ONE IN 500

LONDON, MAR. 19 (REUTER) - THE ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCE THAT DURING THE WEEK ENDING MID-NIGHT, MAR. 17, NINE BRITISH, ALLIED AND NEUTRAL SHIPS WERE LOST AS THE RESULT OF ENEMY AC-TION, REPRESENTING A TOTAL OF 23,992 TONS countries, escorted in British

Three ships were British, of 5,499 tons, two French, of 3.172 tons, and four neutral, of 15,321 tons. None of the ships were in convoy.

Affairs recently announced that The total tonnage lost was well below the average for the 28 weeks since hostilities began." The mawith a loss of only four vessels. jority of the casualties were due to illegal mines.

Only four ships have been sunk by U-boats since Feb. 24, and the Admiralty adds: "Those are the U-boats which may have escaped destruction.

"Up to Mar. 13, 28 ships had " been lost in convoy, out of a total of 12.816 belonging to Britain, Allied and neutral

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the Finnish delegates to the peace The return is part of the ar- Mr. Sumner Welles, President won the respect of the world The Prime Minister said that tact. There the spirit of their the British Government was happeople is unbroken.

with which they were all inspired.

as to its purpose.

"For aught I know, these two have taken up arms to resist. gentlemen may have spent their time discussing conditions under which an Italian ship was destroy-

Mr. Chamberlain,

trai merchantile marine losses due to enemy action, is issued weekly by the Admiralty and this statement is the British answer to all

prolonged and heroic defence of FAILURE

Congested Car Parks Throughout Colony: Suggested Conversion Of

Official Intimation No From Authorities

"THE CONGESTED STATE OF THROUGHOUT THE COLONY HAS ENGAGED SERIOUS CONSIDERATION OF YOUR COMMITTEE and as early as May 1939 a suggestion was made to the Hon. Commissioner of Police that he convert St. John's Place, which is opposite the Helena May Institute, into a car park for chauffeur-driven cars," said Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, President of the Hongkong Automobile Association, in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts for the past year, at the annual meeting yesterday,

"It is only the German threats of relieving, to some extent, be put into use has been received which terrified the Scandinavian the congestion which is still from the authorities. It is hoped countries into withholding help very evident in Statute Square that this will not be long delayed." and Chater Road, and provide Mr. Justice Lindsell prefaced his accommodation for some 70 remarks with a reference to the ed in their obligation to do their cars," continued Mr. Justice death of Mr. P. M. Hodgson, and utmost to assist Finland in her Lindsell. need is one that cannot, for a

"A shelter for chauffeurs has moment, be maintained (Cheers) been erected by the P.W.D. and a

BUDGET ON

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The In regard to material, he re- Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain. 13, wrecked off the coast of Jut- through the Straits to the Black try was at war and all requests of mong that the Budget will be introduced on April 23.

"This would have the effect timation as to when the park may said:

> From its inception in 1918, Mr. Hodgson took the keenest interest in the work of the Association and was its President on three At the time of his death, he was serving on a Special Committee engaged in overhauling our local traffic regulations and there, too, I feel sure his loss will be felt as his experience in matters appertaining to motoring was wide. We have lost a friend whose assistance and advice could always be refled upon.

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PARKING PROBLEM PROPOSALS

Four very useful suggestions in connexion with the parking problem, were made by Mr. V. E. Ferrier, at the meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association yesterday.

They were:-

1. That as Chater Road is a one-way thoroughfare from Pedder Street to Ice House Street, cars should be parked on both sides of the street, instead of in the middle as at present, so that traffic can move along the middle of the road. Also that the whole of Chater Road, from Ice House Street to Statute Square, be made a one-way street.

2. That Icc House Street, from Des Voeux Road to the Praya, be made a one-way street and that cars be allowed" to park at right angles to the road instead of along the edge as at present.

3. That chauffeur-driven cars should not be allowed to park in town

4. That Kennedy Road be opened to traffic in order to relieve the congestion in Queen's Road East

CHAN TAK-FAI WAS AN SUBSTITUTE FOR LEE: FOX'S FINE

Association Changes In Team Weakened Attack

BY "PILAT"

The heavy rain on Saturday morning flooded all the football pitches except at Caroline Hill where, it has been learned, the S. China "A" and Club match could have taken place had enough sawdust been available to mark the lines.

However, soccer (ans were compensated on Sunday when the weather cleared sufficiently to allow the second game in the Governor's Cup series, between the CHINESE FEDERATION and the ASSOCIA-TION, to be played. This resulted in the Federation retaining the Cup for the third year, the score being two goals all,

standard.

more than twice.

Federation had only to draw-and without being outstanding but the prizes in the school hall. they did, and only just. The Asso-strongest department of the F.A. ciation was definitely unlucky in side , was their defence where not forcing a play-off for they were O'Regan and Blackburn excelled. facing a two goal deficit at one Robinson was brilliant in between the sticks and many of the shots

Lee Wai-tong did not play, his he saved would have beaten many place being taken by Chan Tak- a keeper. fa., while the Association had to bring in Guy, Forrow, B. Gosano. D. Leonard, W. G. Pryde and Hon-land only the defence could be niball to replace Williamson, Wil-Idescribed as up to their usual 2 F. Soares, 3 R. Remedios. kinson, Hossack, A. V. Gosano, Fowler and Bickford.

While Chan Tak-fai proved an able substitute for Lee, the changes in the Association front line weakened it somewhat and, as a result, was not very effective against the strong Chinese defence.

Fox, who scored both goals for the Association, was the most dangerous forward and would have accomplished more if given better

support. Pryde is improving with every and had their hands full though game. He gave a good display and dealing with a weakish Association was the only forward who seemed attack to have any understanding with Fox. Leonard was completely offform while Bertie Gosano, back on the right wing, did not show his old form in the position in which he played in the Interport. Hon: niball was rather starved though he came in for some fine runs.

STRONG DEFENCE The intermediate line of Bright, Hau Ching-to, the only other for-

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held in the army during the last war for the Colony Chess Champion-(weather permitting) at HAPPY because he had lost an eye in an ship were played at the Peninsula VALLEY on SATURDAY, 23rd accident, has volunteered for the Hotel last night, wins being reand MONDAY, 25th March, present war. 1940, commencing at 12.30 p.m. on both days.

The first Bell will be rung at 12 Noon and the Tiffin Interval will be after the second race (1 p.m.) on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worm throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Mem-CRICKET.—Final of Army Small bers to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day SHOOTING.—Hongkong, Rifle Asfor Ladies (Both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a TENNIS. - Colony's Champion-Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of All Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Boor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 10.45 a.m. on both days.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

> By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1940.

Records Set At La Salle College Meet

ANNUAL EVENT CONCLUDED

School records in the Senior and Junior 800 metres run were set at La Salle College yesterday when the College's ninth annual athletic sports were concluded,

The Senior record was set by L. Silva, who ran the race in 2 minutes 17 seconds, and the Junior record, by B. Alonco, whose time was 2 minutes 27 seconds.

The Old Boys' Race, also over 800 metres, was won by F. Gonzales in 2 minutes 25 seconds.

At the conclusion of the sports. Mr. R. W. Morgan, Inspector of Having won the first game, the Guy and Forrow was quite effective English Schools, gave away the

THE BESULTS

Scouts' Race (17th Kowloon Troop): " 1. Marcus Ng and Hung lau-chiu, 2. Hung Mun-chiu and Siu Kong-tsu.

Potato Race" (Midget and Sub-Midget): 1. B. Ousa, 2. H. Melbye. 800 Metres (Senior): 1. L. Silva.

800 Metres (Junior). Alonco, 2. G. Blore, 3. N. Xavier. Old Boy's Race: 1. Conzales, 2.

was safe in goal. Lee Tin-sang A. Sequira, 3. A. Tan. Teachers' Race (Egg and Spoon Race): 1. G. Lenz. 2. P. Ullrich 1.500" Metres Senior: 1. E. Silva. Association was not able to score 2, M. Kavier, 3, M. Chan. Time: 5 minutes 28 seconds. Obstacle Race (Midget and Sub-

> Midget): 1. J. Barton 2. Sequeira Boarders' Race (Senior): '1. A. Gottsche. 2. M. Matute. Inter-School Relay: 1. Wah Yan College, 2. Queen's College.

Inter-Class Relay (Senior): 2A. 2. Matric, 3, 3A. Inter-Class Relay (Midget): 6A, 2, 5A, 3, 7A,

Tug-of - War. Inter - Class (Junior) 🕺 1.43A, 2.4A. Tug - of-War Inter - Class (Senior): 1. 3B. 2 Matric. Individual Champions: Senior: L. Xavier, 14 points; Junior: Azevedo. 15 points: Mldget! Azevedo and E. Silva tied with 13

points each. Inter-Class Championship: Matric, 62 points; 2. Class 3A, 57 points; A. Junior A. 39 points.

CHESS WINS FOR

KURRIK AND

ZIMMERN

Two matches in the Tournament

corded by A. Kurrik and E. Zim-

Kurrik beat D. E. de Carvalho.

playing the white pieces in an

ing the white pieces.

Fixtures

Oliveira: "

koff.

Park, 2 p.m.; King's College CRICKET.—First Division: I.R.C.

O. Kho (King's College, 8 RACING. - Hongkong Jockey

ley and N. L. Smith

College, 8.30 p.m.); F. Koh and

C. Y. Yung v. Fisher and

Wynter-Blyth or Silva and

CHESS.—Colony's Championship

-L Blair v. B.S. Litvin; K.

Weiss v. D.E. de Carvalho; E.

Zimmern v. O.V. Parsalov; A.

Kurrik v. V.V. Kalatchoff; K.

M. A. Barnett v. A. Y. Biriu-

TENNIS. - Colony's Champton-

ships—Open Singles.—A. Craw-

ford v. Pang Oi-lam (1), Wei

Chung v. Tennie Kwok (4); J.

8. Theobald or T. C. Chan v.

O. Umetani (5); Open Doubles

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-

pul v. A. Kitchell and I.M.A.

Razack (8); Club Singles:-H.

J. Armstrong v. R. G. Biesel,

Jr. (6); Handicap Singles.—C.

B. Nicholson or E. R. Childe v.

T. J. Gould or R. C. Beavan (7);

Handicap Doubles:-A. Lade

and G. W. Sewell, -5.6 v. W. G.

Harvey and A. H. Barwell, scr.

(2); Mixed Handicap Doubles:

-C. H. R. and Mrs. Hyde,"

-30 v. J. R. M. Smith and

Mrs. D. E. B. Smith, scr. (3).

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

v. Civil Service (Sookunpoo):

Craigengower v. H. K. C. C.

(Happy Valley); Second Divi-

C.C. (H.K.C.C.) Recreio V. I.

Club's Second Extra Race Meet-

ing, at Happy Valley 2 p.m.

R. C. (King's Park).

sion: H.K.C.C. v. Craigengower

WANTS TO FIGHT. **AGAIN**

The Chinese, on the whole, did

not play up to their expected form

Lau Hin-hon, except for

anxiety to clear the ball hastily.

and Lee Kwok-wai formed a very

formidable back line and it was

due to their stout defence that the

MORE ON DEFENSIVE

Kwok Ying-ki, Leung Wing-chiu

and Soong Ling-sing were more on

the defensive than on the offensive

The forwards lacked their fine

the whole, played a rather dis-

appointing game. Chan Tak-fai

was a constant trier and, though

brilliant dashes through the

well-watched by Guy, made rever-

F.A.'s defence which more, often

ward to look dangerous, was not

made use of often enough.

than not, nearly netted him a goal

combination and "polish and,

M. Robert Lassalie, a member the French Chamber of Deputies, and a former Cabinet member, who had trouble getting

He eventually got into the last mern. war as a machine gunner, and was wounded three times, each last year's champion, in 51 moves, time returning to action. "

His fighting ended when the English Opening game. Zimmern Germans captured him in 1918, beat B. S. Litvin, the game being Now, at 59, he wants to fight the Gluco Piano, the Winner play-

ATHLETICS .- Peak School An-

Units Knockout Competition, R.

sociation's Weekly Spoon and

Practice Shoot, .. at .. Kowloon

ships-Open Singles:-Tsui Yan-

pul v. R. G. Biesel, Jr. (2); S. A.

Rumjahn v. S. A. Gray (8);

Open Doubles:-J. Gonsalves

and A. V. Remedios v. Paul

Kong and B, Szeto (8):

Club Singles:-A. Lade V. B. C.

Fay (7); Handicap Singles:-W.

M. Barton -3.6 v. M. Pagh.

-30.3 (1): D. S. Robb, -2.6 v.

G. C. Burnett -15 (6); Mixed

Handicap Doubles:- P. Wyn-

ter-Blyth and Miss B. Fair.

scr. v. Lt. J. S. Theobald and

Mrs. Churchill, -15.2 (3); B.

O'M. Deane and Miss D. Eardley.

-15.3 v. V. R. Gordon and Mrs.

TOMORROW

ATHLETICS. - Diocesan Girls'

School Annual Sports at King's

Annual Sports, at Caroline Hill,

BADMINTON. - Colony's Cham-

pionships.-Mixed Doubles:-L.

A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ri-

beiro v. K. L. Yong and Miss

p.m.); Men's Doubles:-M. S.

Lim and P. S. Bun v. H. Eard-

Ralph scr. (4).

1.30 p.m.

E. v. R.A.O.C. (Sookunpoo),

nual Sports, 2.45 p.m.;

City, 1.45 p.m.

Sporting

Boxing Suspensions

The first penalties inflicted on those who have been implicated in the revolt against the British Boxing Board of Control were announced after a meeting of the Southern Area Council at which the cases were heard.

The promoter's licence of J. and B. Winterman at the Devonshire Club, Hackney, is suspended unless these promoters signify their intention to appear before Southern Area Council.

Twenty-three other cases were dealt with on the charge of appearing at the Stadium Club, London, on Jan. 1, the promoter of this tournament not being a holder of a B.B.B.C. licence. They consisted of nine, boxers, five managers, three referees, a ring second and two trainers.

their future conduct. Eight were the remainder either suspended largest amount being £5.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY TEAM

The Y.M.C.A. "A" XI will play the Khalsa Association at hockey on the "Y" ground at 5 p.m. on Thursday. The following will represent the "Y":

Colledge: Jordan and Tomlinson: Smits, McLellan and Waldron; A. N. Other, White, Pennington, Elsly and Highlands.

ROTARY CLUB:

"SPEECH CRAFT" - BEAUTY, NOTE, TONE AND WORD: MR. H. PETERSON'S ADDRESS

Norman French was "wedded"

WIDE ATTEMPT

The sounds of present day English were discussed in a technical but interesting, manner by Mr. Henry Peterson when he addressed Hongkong Rotarians on "Speech Craft" yesterday.

After explaining the sounds of public speaking. Yet it is necespresent day English and how to sary in every day conversation to make them correctly. Mr. Peter- be courteous to our friends and son said that from the marriage acquaintainces. after 1066 between Norman French and the four regional dialects of four "brides," is still a language old English, many grammarians influx after eight centuries and phoeneticians had indulged survival of the fittest in the tugin pugnacity, which for many of-war between the four "provincial brides and the elegant "bride-

centuries was only surpassed by the odium theologicum of Divines, groom." and in our time has been equalled only by the odium Sino-logicum of retired Civil Servants and even ex-Governors of Hongkong!

THREE STANDARDS

attempt is being made to establish In the last 50 years there has the highest possible standard so been a concerted effort by public that all may speak mark and master, a timekeeper, an M.C., a speakers, actors and poets to learn. Yet, unluckly, unlike the tarians present. They were Mr. stabilise English sounds. Three great Dr. Johnson, present day W. M. Moore, Baguio, Philippine A number were warned as to standards have now emerged, phoeniticians who agree, with the Island. Mr. George A. Fitch. Firstly, the stand of perfect urbane Lord Chesterfield in Chungking, and Mr. C. D. Dixon. suspended until they appear, and physical use, secondly, the stan- striving to leave the genius of the Tientsin. dard of phoenitic accuracy, and English language to its own devices. The guests were Messrs. T. for a few weeks or fined, the thirdly, the standard of beauty. do not earn the shaft that Lord Toung, P. T. Chang (Shanghai)

The first has to do with the mencanism of speech—that is, the perfect use of the muscles and organs of speech, which is utter English language as a free-born ance. Utterance is made up British subject to the said Dr. four factors-beauty, note, ton-Johnson for the term of his and word, dictatorship."

As regards phoenitic accuracy, Mr. Peterson demonstrated the 13

needed in verse speech, drama or rest of your life,"

"I am sure you don't," and Mr. Peterson Concluded" Nor do I" and sa; down.

SPEAKER THANKED

In proposing the vote of thanks to the speaker, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest compared the use of sounds in the Cantonese dialect of Chinese and said that there was no standard of of pronunciation in Chinese.

There was a certain range of variations within which every thing was correct. It was otherwise in English. It was interseting to know, that just how China was in the same position with regard to language as England was 150 However, today, more consciously years ago when grammarians than at any other period, a wide first began to law down rules.

> VISITORS AND GUESTS There were three visiting Ro-

Chesterfield shot at Dr. Johnson Anselm Chuh, George Haynes when he said: "I hereby declare (Shanghai). Owne F. Johnson, that I make a total surrender of Y. H. Tang and Dr. A. E. Craddock all my rights and privileges in the (Kunming).

Charlemont

Drumcairne, Stewartstown, County Tyrone, former Minister of Mr. Peterson wound up by quot- Education for Northern Ireland. vovel sounds and four consonants-ing from Alice in Wonderland. He was in the Northen Ireland High of present day English and showed said when Humpty Dumpty, having Court granted a decree nisi from how by a system of exercise, bad explained his mastery over words, Viscountess Charlemont, on the accent or faulty enunciation could asked Alice what she meant to do ground of her adultery with next, and went on "I supposed you Frederick Hyan, The standard of beauty is most don't intend to stop here all the formerly employed

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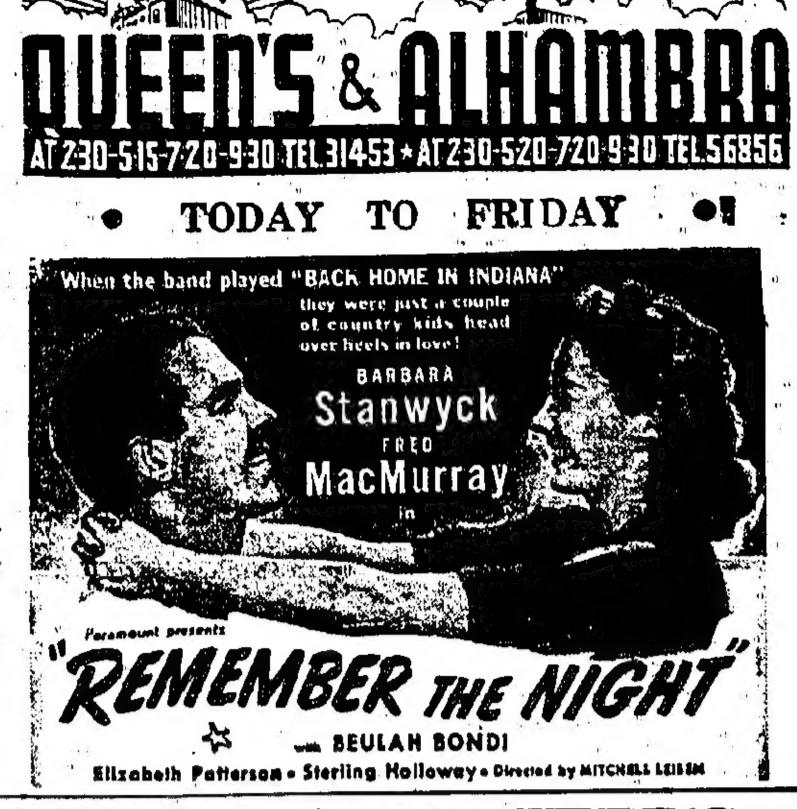
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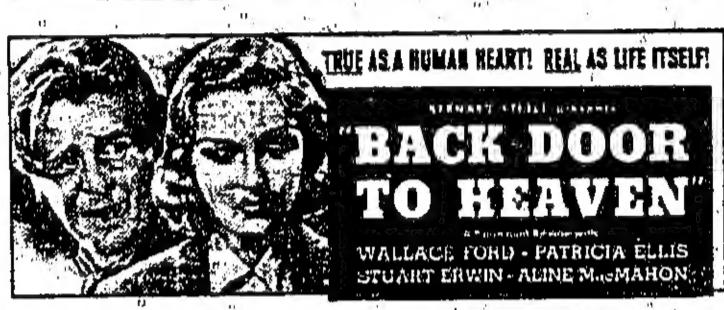


SATURDAY PARAMOUNTS BIG SHOW!

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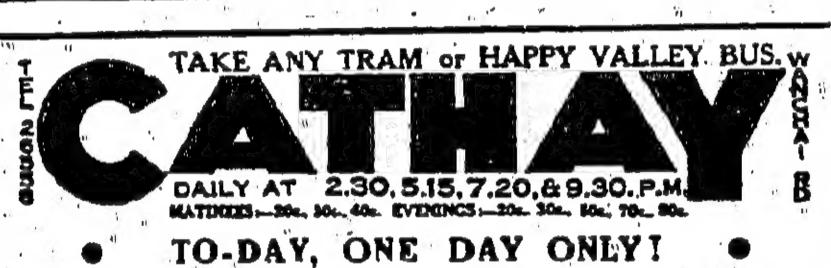


FRIDAY SATURDAY

Mickey Rooney Lewis Stone "HARDYS RIDE HIGH " An MGM Picture"

SUNDAY MONDAY

A New Universal Picture



H. G. Wells' Fantastic Sensation The Screens' Biggest Novelty Thrillers!

with Gloria Stuart, Claude Rains

TO-MORROW - FRIDAY - SATURDAY Hollywood's Best Motion Picture of the Year!

"STANLEY AND LIVINGSTONE"

Spencer Tracy - Nancy Kelly - Richard Greens . A 20th Century-Fox Picture

Hollywood Stars Not So Wicked

The Rev. Neal Dodd, "Padre of Hollywood," is conducting a oneman crusade against the type of gossip which brands the movie

colony as wicked. "The only difference between a which opens today. film actor and anyone else," he said "is that when an actor gets a divorce everybody knows about it.'

Mr. Dodd has been associated with the film colony for 20 years. Many of the stars go to him with their troubles and "hundreds of quarreling couples have taken his advice and now live in harmony.

before they get to the divorce courts, and knows more secrets of Hollywood than anyone.

"These film people," he says, "are far from wicked. They are no ducer's credit. worse than any other group, but "their fame means that any failings

public."

"THE GORILLA" AT THE KING'S **TODAY**

You'll grip the arms of your chair in terror one minute and how with glee the next when you go down to the King's Theatre to see those mad, merry Ritz Brothers as three slap-happy sleuths on the trail of one rare beast in "The Gorilla," the 20th Century-Fox hit

Spence stage play, the picture orfers the Ritzes their crazlest and funniest roles as Harrigan, Mulligan and Garrity, who can't tell a clue from a magnifying glass.

Production Chief Darryl F. Zanuck provided a magnificent fun-and-fright cast, headed by He tries to settle their differences Anita Louise, Patsy Kelly. Bela Lugosi, Joseph Callela. Edward Norris and Wally Vernon and all are at their excellent best. Harry Joe Brown gets the associate pro-

they may have reach a wide speaking tour to combat the view that prevails in some parts that has started on a Hollywood is a sink of iniquity.

COMING EVENTS

MARON

20-Tides: High 7.23 a.m. and 6.20 p.m. Low: 12.55 a.m. and 11.55 a.m. Sunrise: 6.29 m.m.; Sunset: 6.35 p.m. H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., 10. Des Voeux Rd. C., 11.30 a.m. Peak School, Annual Sports, 2.45

YM.C.A.: Badminton from 10 a.m.; A.D.C: Rehearsal, 6 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

St. Andrew's Working Party, (Medical), 10 a.m. H.K.F.A.: Management Committee

Colony Tennis Championships con-Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.

S. and S. Home: House Committee Mtg., 5.30 p.m. Kowloon Union Church, Women's Gulld. 10 a.m. Cathedral Hall: Cathedral 'Women's

Fellowship Working Party, 10 a.m. Y.W.C.A.: Report Rally, 3.30 p.m. Catholic Cathedral: Office of Tenebral 5 p.m.; Lenten Mission, 6 p.m. St. John's Cathedral: Devotional Service and Address, 5.15 p.m. Garrison Sergts, Mess: Whist Drive

9.15 p.m. 21-Tides: High 7.55 a.m. and 7.25 p.m. Low 1.38 a.m. and 1.05 p.m. Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset: 6.35 p.m. Chess Championship Continued. H.K. Electric Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg. 11 a.m., Extraordinary Gen. Mtg. 11.15 g.m.

Kai Tak Airport Dance, Peninsula Vagabond Rotarians Mtg., Cafe de Chine, 1 p.m. King's College Annual Sports, Caro-

line Hill, 1.30 p.m. Chinese Estates, Ltd., Annual Mtg., China Building," 12 noon. Passiontide Music, St. Andrew's Church 9 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning 10 a.m.: A.D.C. Rehearsal, 9 p.m. Diocesan Girls' School, Annual Sports, King's Park, 2 p.m. Interport Hockey Trial, Navy

Colony Tennis Championships con-H.R. Y's Men's Club Mtg., No. 14. Koon Ma Terrace, Happy Valley, 6.50

Ground, 5.15 p.m.

Cheero Club, Contract Bridge. 22-Tides: High 8.30 a.m. and 8.20 p.m. Low 2.15 a.m. and 1,69 p.m. Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m. Good Friday.

Bank Hollday. United Service of Christian Witness in Kowloon, 11.30 a.m. St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8.45

Golf: Happy Valley Golfers v. Kowloon Golfers. Claims against estate of Herbert Hatch due. H.K. Referees Assn. Dance at Hotel Cecil. 8.30 p.m.

Passiontide Music. St. Cathedral, 9 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Badminton 6 p.m.; Mixed wimming, 6 p.m. Cheero Club. Darts, Table-Tennis, Billiards.

23-Tides: High 5.04 alm, and 9.19 p.m. Low 2.50 a.m. and 2.49 p.m. Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m. Bank Holiday. Portuguese Company of H. K.

V.D.C., Annual Dinner, Club Lusitano, H.K. Jockey Club, Second, Extra Race Meeting, 2 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: American Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament at King's Park, 2 All Saints Church, Bazaar, Kowloon, 10 a.m.

24-Tides: High 9.40 a.m. and 10.10 p.m. Low 3.26 a.m. and 3.36 p.m. Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 p.m. Easter Sunday, ...

Golf:—Shanghai "Visitors" semi-final of Mixed Foursomes due to be completed; first round of Adamson Cup due to be completed.

Interport Soccer: Macao, v. Hongkong; Interport Dinner, Hotel Cecil 25-Tides: High 10.15 a.m. and 11 p.m. Low 4" a.m. and 4,24 p.m. Sunrise: 6.26 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 p.m.

Bank Holiday. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m. H.K. Jockey Club, "Second Extra" Race Meeting, 2 p.m. Entries Close for Kowloon Mara-

thon Race. International Soccer Final. 26-Tides: High 10.52 a.m. and 11.52 p.m. Lew 4.35 a.m. and 5.19 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.26 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m. H.K. Whampos Dock Co., Annual Mtg. 12 noon. Busy Bees Working Party, Bridge &

Mahjong Drive, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m. West Country Society Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m. 27-Tides: .. High 11.28 a.m.: Lov

5.05 a.m. and 6.03 p.m. Sunrise: 6.25"a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m. Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg. 12 noon. . Cheero Club, Gala Dance, 8.20 p.m. H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting. China Entertainment & Land In-

vestment Co., Ltd., Annual Mtg., King's Theatre Building, 12 noon. 28-Chess Championship Con-

Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. To Present "Housemaster," 9 p.m. H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting. Peninsula Hotel, Harp Recital, 9.15

China Provident Loan & Mortgage Based on the famous Ralph Co. Ltd., Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 12

Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Annual Mtg., 6 p.m. 29-Institute of Engineers: Lecture on "Chemical Warfare" by Wing-

Com. A. H. Steele-Perkins. H.K. Police Dance in aid of B.W O.F., Peninsula Hotel, Annual Colony Marathon, Kowloon

St. Andrew's Church Hall. Mahjong Drive in aid of D.G.S. Building Pund. Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster," 9 p.m. H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting.

Diocesan Old Boys' Assn. Annual Mtg., Lo & Lo's Office, 5.30 p.m. A.S. Watson and Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 11.30 a.m. Hongkong Club, Annual Mtg. 5.30

H.K. University Alumni Assn., An-

Programmes

(Baritone) with Orch.

Selection (Charpentier)—De Groot & His Orchestra. The Pipes of Pan (The Acadians'—Monckton); Arcady Is Ever Young (The Arcadians'—

Monckton) -- Winnie Melville (So-

prano) with Orch. Der Kaspec (De Groot and His Orchestra; Selection

of Chopin Melodies (arr. De Groot)

— De Groot (Violin), David Bor

(Piano) and Reginald Kilbey ('Cello). Wanting You (film The New Moon'):

Lover, Come Back To Me (film The

New Moon')-Lawrence Tibbett (Bari-

tone) with Plano. "The Gypsy Prin-cess".—Selection (Kalman)—De Groot

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RECITAL BY CAROLINE BRAGA FROM THE STUDIO Beethoven Symphony

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-

12.30 A Light, French Programme. Sombre Dimanche (Rezso-Gonda)-Mme. Damia (Vocal) accomp. by the Choeurs Russes Afonsky. Valse-Reve Secret: One Step - Parade D'Oiseau-L'Accordeoniste Alexander and His Orch, Ces Petites Choses (Strachez-Larue); Vous Qui Passez Sans Me Voir (Trenet-Misraki)-Jean Sablon (Vocal) with Orchestra. Vous Etes, Jolie (film "La route enchantee"); Boum! !- (film 'La route enchantee")—Charles Trenet (Vocal) with Orchestra. Tu Ne Sais Pas Aimer (film 'Sola'); La Fille Aux Matelots (film 'Sola')-Damia' (Vocal) with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report. 1.03 Patricia Rossborough at the

Plane.

'Manhattan Music Box"-Selection: Dizzy Fingers (Confroy). "Head Over Heels"-Selection: "Home and Beauty"-Selection.

1.15 The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. Novelty Fox-Trot-The Broken Record; Fox-Trot - The Music Goes 'Round and Around. Waltz - Give Me Your Hand: Tango - Marilou. Pox-Trot-I Breathe. On Windows (film 'Over she Goes')

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Westher Forecast and Announcements. 1.45 Frances Day, Max Miller and Walsh and Barker in Variety.

Fox-Trots-Lords of the Air: We'll Remember-The Organ, The Dance Band and Me with Male Chorus. Vocal - I Will Pray " (Beverley Nichols); Whispers In The Dark (film 'Artists and Models')-Frances Day (Soprano) with Orchestra. Comedian-Ophelia; Down In The Valley - Max Miller. Tangos-Summer Evening In Santa Cruz; Dear Madam — Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra. Vocal Duets -Don't Forget (Carr and Shapiro); Roll Along, Covered Wagon (Kennedy)-Walsh and Barker with Plano and Guitar.

2.15 Close down." 6.00 A Ballad Concert.

O Dry Those Tears (del Riego); My Dear Soul (Byron and Sanderson)-Muriel Brunskill "(Contralto) with Organ and Violin Obbligato. There's A Briddle Hanging On The Wall (Robison); Song of the Grateful Heart (Hamilton) - Peter Dawson Calls (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra. Summer Night (Merzials and Goring Thomas); My Dearest Heart (Sullivan) Doris Vane (Soprano) with G.S.O. Piano and 'Cello Obbligato. Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon and Squire); Because I Miss You So (Glanville &

6.28 Closing Local Stock Quota-

6.30 Half an hour of Dance Music. Fox-Trots-Keep Calling Me Sweetheart; Poor Robinson Crusoc-Billy Cotton and His Band. Rumba Fox-Trot - Serenade (from 'Gay Deceivers'); Fox-Trot-It Happened In The Moonlight (from 'Gay Deceivers')-Jack, Jackson and His Orchestra. Waltzes-Throw Open Wide Your Window; Espana Waltz-Sydney Kyto and His Piccadilly Hotel Band. Quickstep.-I've Got A Pocketful of Dreams (film 'Sing You Sinners'). Slow Fox-Trot-It My Be-Harry Roy and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots -Don't Want To/Make History (film 'Palm Spring'); There Isn't Any Limit To My Love-Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees.

7.00 London Relay-These Strangers within our Gates." Stories about foreigners.

7.30 London Relay-The News. 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements, 8.03 Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone) Winnie Melville (Soprano) and De Groot and His Orchestra.

'Samson and Delilah" - Selection (Saint-Saens)-De Groot and His Orchestra. Without A Song (film The Prodigal'); Life Is A Dream (film 'The Prodigal') - Lawrence Tibbett

and His Orchestra. 8.45 Studio - Piano Recital by Caroline Brara. 1. Prelude and Fugue in D Minor (Bach); 2. Prelude in D Flat Major (The Raindrop), Op. 28, No. 15 (Chopin); 3. Mazurka in D flat major, Op. 30, No. 3 (Chopin); 4. Berceuse, Op. 57 (Chopin); 5 Elle A Daignee Sourire (She Smiles), Op. 93, No. 4 (Poldini); 6. The Lover and the lightingale .Granados); 7. Arabesque, Op. 39, No. 4 (Macdowell).

9.15 London Relay-News Summary. 9.30 Songs by Tito Schipa (Tenor) Plaisir D'Amour (De Florian, "Matini); O Del Mlo Amato Ben (Donaudy)-with Orchestral accomp.

9.40 'Cello Solos by Pau Casals. (6) Vito (Spanish Dance), Op. 54, No. 5 (Popper); Spanish Dance (Rondalla Aragonesa-Granados). Goyescas -Intermezzo (Granados); Toccata In C Major-Adagio (Bach)-with Plano

9.55 Beethoven—Symphony No. 9 In D Minor, Op. 125 ("Choral"). Felix Weingartner and Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. 11.00 Close down.

CHINESE RADIO PROGRAMMES

The attention of the public is called to the Z.B.W. Chinese programme during the Easter Week. This will include the following talks by noted Chinese scholars and authors. The talks will be given in two dialects, Cantonese and Mandarin, and will start at 6 p.m. each day:-

TODAY-MAR. 20 "English and Chinese Educational Aims and Their Similarity" by Dr. C. L. Hsia, member of the Legislative Yuan, National Government, China. SATURDAY, MAR. 23

"The Chinese" Industrial Co-Operative Movement in the South-West" by the CLC.

MONDAY, MAR. 25 "Britain's Naval Week" by Dr. S. L. Hsiung, "author of "Lady Precious Stream."

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> Transmission V—News Sum-Full Bulletin 8.30 s.m.

SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C. (All Hongkong Time) Mondays - Background to the News 11.00 p.m. Tuesdays — Background to the News 8.15 a.m. In England Now 11.00 p.m.

Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m. Wednesdays - in England Now 6.45 a.m. Cards on the Table 3.15 a.m. Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m. Thursdays Matters of Moment 5.45 a.m. Background to the News 11.00 p.m. Fridays - In England

Now -..... 11.00 p.m. Saturdays-In England Now 6.45 a.m. London Log 3.30 p.m. London Log 11.15.p.m. Sundays-London, Log 6.45 a.m.

GRACIE FIELDS MARRIED

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—Gracie Fields and Monty Bank were married here yester-

Maximum Sentence

AMSTERDAM, Mar., 19 (Reuter) -Maximum sentences of six years imprisonment were passed on Breves and the Dutchman, Bakker, who were charged with espionage.

nual Mtg., Gloucester Building, 5.30 30-Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Presentation of "Housemaster," 9 p.m.

H.K.R.A. Prize Meeting. Annual Children's Sports, Southern Playeround, 2 p.m. 31-Kowloon Bowling Green Club Redemption of Debentures. Soccer: Shield Final

HKRA Prize Meeting.

Social Education Conference

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central)— The Social Educational Conference summoned by the Ministry of Education was formally inaugurated here yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. Ku Yu-hsiu, Vice-Minister of Education.

A number of important proposals were brought forth for deliberation and questions regarding the people's education in the guerilla districts were also dis-

WOODEN PLANES ARE ON ORDER

Use of wooden airplanes for training in the R. A. F. is suggested by the placing of an order for 250 machines with a London furniture manufacturer.

Wooden machines can be built more rapidly than metal ones, and enable many more men to receive elementary instruction. - (Dally Express).

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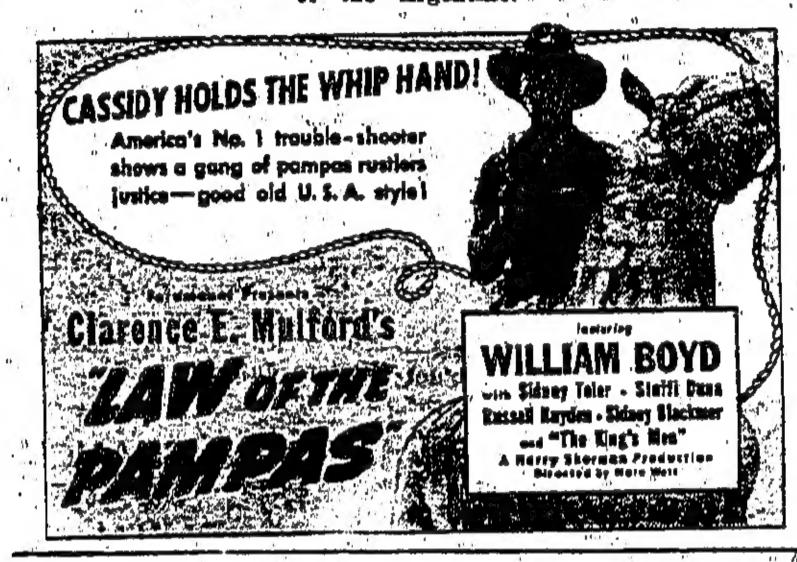
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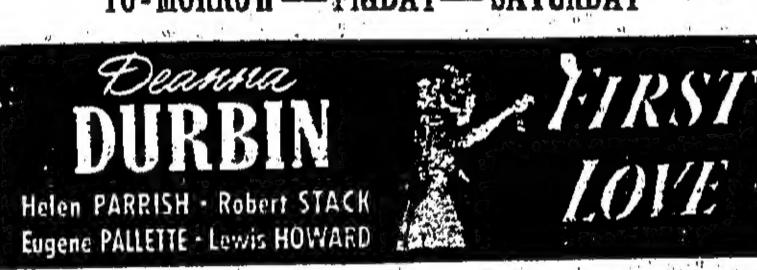


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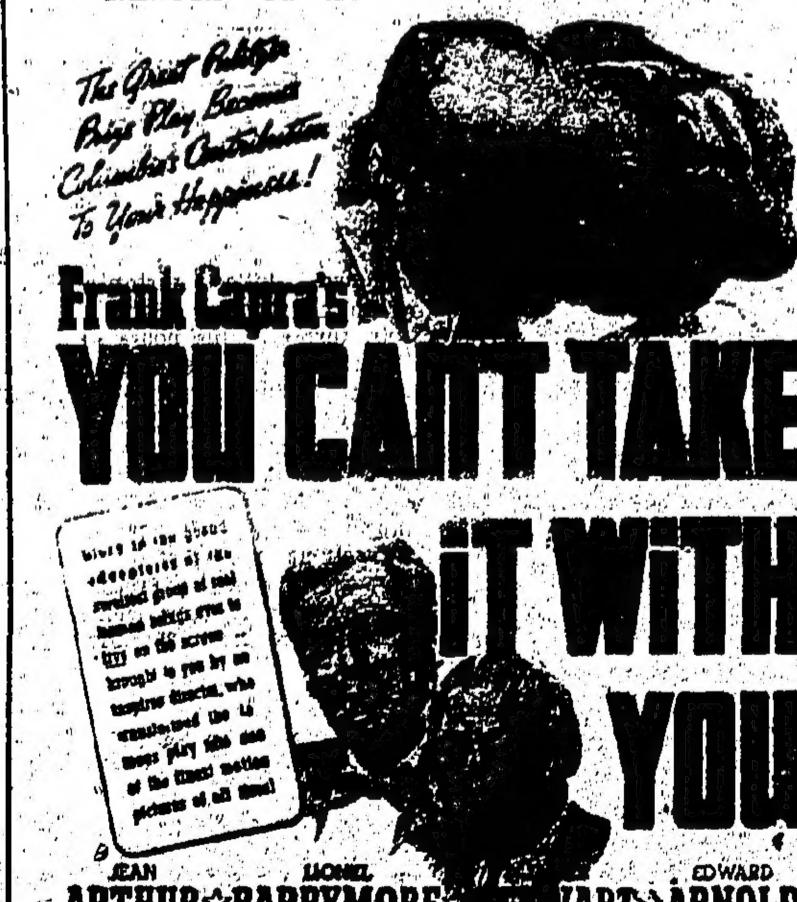
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At Sea

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The

Newcastle steamer Tiberton (5,225

BROKEN IN TWO

The Italian collier Tyna Prime

were saved and one was drowned.

DANISH TRAWLERS

_Two Danish trawlers which ar-

The first trawler said a Nazi

were pursued by the aircraft

which dropped many bombs and

machine-gunned the decks, but

HAVAS REPORT

A Havas message states that the

two Danish trawlers, which were

returning from the North Sea.

stated that they were bombed by

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VETERAN GENERAL

DIES IN TRAGIC

ACCIDENT

LONDON Mar. 19 (Reuter)-

Lieut-General Sir Ayimer Hunter-

Weston, K.C.B., D.S.O., aged

6. was killed instantaneously when he fell today from a 50-.

foot turret at his house at West

habit of climbing for exercise and

He entered the Army, R.E., in

1884 and had a brilliant Army

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major wars and distinguished

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Western Jutland.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 19"(Reuter)

Lord Zetland Emphasizes Unchanged British Policy

RAMGARH, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-"I stiall go to the Viceroy fifty times if necessary," declared Mr. Gandhi, at yesterday's meeting of the Subjects Committee of the Indian National Congress, replying to" speakers who criticised his "readiness to compromise with Britain" on India's future.

After offering to "start the fight" in a month, if Congressmen, would eradicate "lack of disc pline and the atmosphere of violence," Mr, Gandhi added: don't find anything to suggest that we are ready for the fight immediately."

Mr. Gandhi was speaking after the Committee, by an overwhelming majority, adopted a resolution demanding complete independence for India and rejecting Dominion Status as solution.

> · LORD ZETLAND'S SPEECH

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reutor)-In tons) is a month overdue and the House of Lords yesterday believed to have been lost with all afternoon, Lord Zetland, Secretary hands. for India making his first appearance after the Caxton Hall shooting affair, said that it had been (4.853 tons) broke in two following brought to his notice that ap- an explosion off the south-east prehensions had arisen in various coast. Thirty-six of her crew quarters lest this tragedy be permitted to effect the judgment of His Majesty's Government upon

affairs in India. He was indeed sorry that any rived in Jutland vesterday resuch apprehensions should have ported having been attacked by arisen, but since they had found Nazi planes while fishing in the expression, he was glad of that North Sea. early opportunity for stating in public what he had already said plane bombed and machine-gunmore than once in private, that ned the ship, though no hits were the act of an "isolated fanatic scored and there were no casualcould not conceivably have the ties smallest influence upon the judg- | The second trawler was attacked ment of His Majesty's Governby two planes. The fishermen ment, one way on the other, upon cut their nets and made off, but aftairs in India (Cheers).

RESHUFFLE IN FRENCH CABINET

PARIS. Mar. 19 "(Havas)-Rumours of a forthcoming Cabinet reshuffle are continuing and the general opinion is that Senator Pierre Laval, former Premier, and one of the signatories of the Laval-Mussolini Rome Agreement of 1935, will, receive some port-

POLICY CHANGE

This fact has led to rumours that French policy towards Italy is likely to undergo an important change. Some talk of the possibility of M. Daladier and Signor Mussolini meeting but the latter was categorically denied.

Meanwhile, questions on the conditions, took about six weeks conduct of the war and the Finvia North America, five weeks via nish affair will be heard in the Suez and four weeks via Siberia. Chamber of Deputies this morn-The homeward times were subing. Mobilised deputies have been stantially similar. granted special leave to attend.

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WILLING TO MEDIATE

BUT NOT AT COST OF NEUTRALITY

MUSSOLINI

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Havas)-Well-informed circles state that Signor Mussolinl endeavoured to persuade Herr. Hitler to concede certain modifications concerning Poland and Czechoslovakia, aiming to bring Germany closer to the Allies and thereby to establish a possible basis for peace.

HITLER'S PLAN

Apparently Herr Hitler's intention was to strengthen his posttion with Italy and to attempt to bully the Allies with the threat of a large-cale war unless they agree to an immediate peace.

nor Mussolini is willing to offer trenches on the Western Front. mediation, but not at the expense of Italian neutrality,

Daladier - Mussolini Meeting Denied

ROME, Mar. 19 (Router)-Among the unconfirmed conjectures circulating last night was a suggeston that M. Daladier may meet Signor Mussolini at Genoa today or on Wednesday.

A message from Paris states the suggestion that M. Daladier will meet Signor Mussolini today was authoritatively denied here.

It is pointed out that M. Daladier was estill in Paris last night and was due to speak in the Chamber debate today.

BIRTHDAY CHEERS FOR PREMIER IN COMMONS

LONDON - SHANGHAI LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The Prime Minister, who, was 171 yesterday, was received with general cheers when he rose to thim in the House of Commons and dern wireless equipment sufficient LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-In the House of Commons yesterday. and smiled to the members in all up of Communists in which parts of the House. transmission of mail to Shanghai had varied within some wide

NEW 3 - POWER BLOW?

ROME, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The theory that Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolirn discuss ed a German - Russian-Italian Balkan bloc for keeping the Balkans and Danublan Europe definitely out of the war is gaining "ground and political observers tend to combine this initiative with the Peace Treaty between Finland and Russia, and the firm position of the Scandinavian countries as neutrals.

Untruthful Japanese Propaganda

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs stated that there was no truth in the reports circulated in North China that Chinese coolies were being secretly recruited in North The general opinion is that Sig- China and taken to France to dig ATTENTION DRAWN

Asked what steps" have been taken to counteract this "Japanese propaganda," Mr. Butler replied that the attention of the Japanese authorities in North. China had already been drawn to the untruthfulness of the re-

NAZI BRUTALITY WITH POLISH CHILDREN

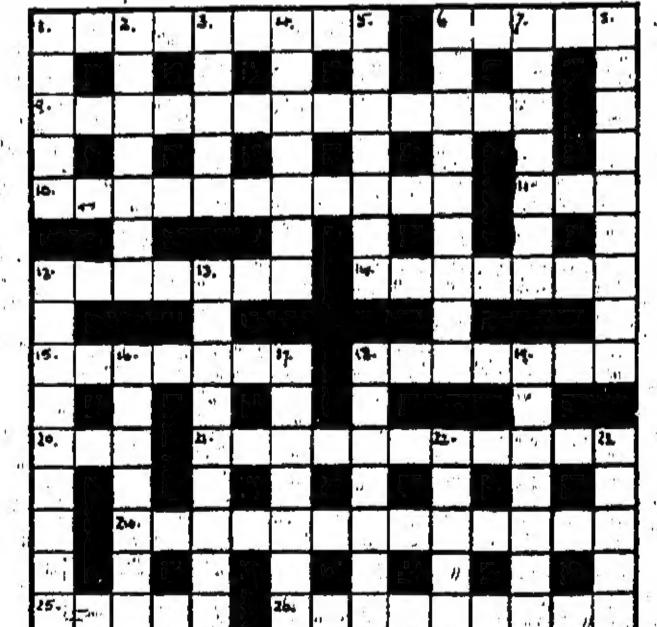
LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter),-In the House of Commons, yesterday the many Polish children removed from various parts of Poland under German control, Mr. Butler replied that the exact figures were difficult to secure in the present circumstances.

The children were, however, included among the Polish population being "" systematically deported from their homes by the German Government and it was clear that this process was being carried out with a brutality which we associate with German artivity in Poland".

Communists Raided In Paris

answer the first question put to PARIS, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-Mowas unable to reply for a con- to work six transmitters and two siderable period. Mr. Chamberlain tons of Communist literature were seemed touched by the greeting seized by the police in a roundarrests were made.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS "She that would alter services with thee, the- unhap-

Laddie by the seaside 9. A feeling of alarm 10. A separate existence. Is always in the way games like tennis and bad,

12. Not in deed is maicated 14. An American writer. 15. One of the things Sir Andrew delighted in sometimes Trousers are when 8 down

Coin of the South. See 4 down Not a permanent light words, 5, 2, 3 and 3). Including Thor and Odin

words, 5 and 4).

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May be substituted times for X.

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6. Customers en masse." 7. The first one depends on the. spin of a coin. 8. Victims of the Juggernaut

must be. 12. A mad scene belonging to an Eastern city. 13. Better than an Ace (2 words

5 and 4), ... 16. An undignified struggle. 17. The boy for pet hens 18. This is more than clear. 19. A sign of the zodiac.

22. A laugh. Our lathers were often threatened with those not Araby

SOLUTION TOMORROW

Internal Appeasement Only

RECONCILIATION OF IRON GUARDS IN RUMANIA

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The reconciliation between "the Rumanian Government and members of the Iron Guard was the subject of comment by The T mes yesterday.

NOT JUSTIFIED "The news seems to have been received in Germany as an indication of an approaching change in the Rumanian foreign policy, This is not justified by fact." says The Times.

"Although the iron Guards before the war were certainly in close touch with the Nazis, there is an indication that the clemency now extended is nothing more than internal appeasement. The members were only pardoned as individuals and there may be notning more in it than the ending of a feud and the strengthening of national unity."

NO MEANS TEST FOR PENSIONS

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-In connexion with pensions for parents of unmarried men killed in the war the Minister for Pensions said yesterday that, in "future pensions would be paid without enquiry as to whether or not that person concerned can support himself; that is, there will be no means test.

The minimum will be increased asked for information regarding from 2s, to 5s. a week and the present maximum from 12s. 6d to 17s, 6d. in some cases.

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JAPAN MIGHT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CHANGE IN POLITICAL THE PHILIPPINES, SAYS MINING MAGNATE

Judge Hausserman Formula For Success

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS "The Philippines will become independent in 1946," This statement was made by Judge "W. Hausserman, American mining magnate in the Islands. "in an exclusive two hour interview on board an American liner in port recently.

Judge Hausserman's opinion is in accordance with a similar declaration made by the United States High Commissioner of the Philippines, Mr. Sayre, in a press interview in Manila, on Feb. 27, when he pointed out" that there was no reason for supposing that the United States of the Philippines were striving for a change in the Independence Act. men lives in the valley of the

economic security, because 12,000

laborers are on the company's

payroll in the Benguet Mountains.

with an average of five individuals

dependent on each worker in the

MORE WORK TO DO

"When asked what else there re-

mained for him to do, when

everything seems "to have been

accomplished, the Judge replied

that although unwilling to retire,

it was his responsibility to see

that the thousands of his em-

ployees lived and worked under

the best conditions, while he was

training his son Francis O. Haus-

serman, for the position of trust

hills or the lowlands.

tually inherit.

words).

JAPANESE MENACE Asked as to whether he thought Benguet Consolidated Mining Co. Japan might possibly take advan- Through Judge Hausserman's sotage of the future change in poli- cial service, workers are being tical status of the Philippine paid the highest mining wages in Counsel, said that the accused Crown Solicitor, who prosecuted, Islands, Judge Hausserman was the Islands, ranging from one to went to a shop in Ewo Street and said that the first accused struck

Born in 1867, a few years after rice every day. President of one of the richest pital and medical staff. They the foki discovered that Balatoc Mining Co., Ltd. and the grounds, and a library. Benquet Consolidated Mining Co.. in the Philippines."

Over six feet "tall," and of a prises, not for their bare exisgenial and democratic disposition, tence, but for their present com-Judge Hausserman represents a fortable living, college education successful business executive at for their children, and future his age.

SUCCESSFUL LIFE

"What is, in your opinion, the formula for a successful life?," I asked the Judge, and, after a few moments of deliberation, he replied:

"A man to be successful in this world should rely on:-(a) hard work, (b) patience. (c) right thinking, (d) absolute honesty, (e) reasonable ambition, and (f) courage (moral)."

GOLD STRIKE

A sensational gold strike in the Baiatoc Minc, owned by the Hausserman interests, proved it to be one of the richest mines in the world. In some instances pockets, which assayed close to 750,000 pesos per ton, were encountered. considered by many as a geological -freak. This created an envious desire to get rich quick among Philippine leaders of finance and industry, resulting in the bene-

ncial mining boom of 1933. Over a hundred companies were formed, and now they are producing wealth for the nation and providing employment for thousands, while many more collapsed because of speculation on the part of the promoters.

HAPPY COMMUNITY A happy community of working tunate than he is.

POSSESSION OF FORGED BANKNOTES Gives

CHINESE GAOLED

STATUS OF

Sentence of nine months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Ching-hung by the Chief Justice. Sir Atholl MacGregor, at Criminal Sessions yesterday, when the accused was found Guilty by a jury on charges of uttering and possession of forged banknotes.

The jury comprised Messrs, J. J. Edgar (Foreman), C. E. Rathsam, S. Hansch, J. L. Adams, E. J. T. Wong, A. J. Mauricio and C. Bon-

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant inclined to reply in the affirma- 5tk pesos per day, with free house, tendered a five-dollar note for a Chiu who began to struggle and light, water, fuel, and a liter of packet of cigarettes. The foki during the fight Wan fired his reaccepted the note and gave the volver. Chiu's wife joined in the the American Civil War, Judge Children, attend company accused \$4.90 change, Later the fight and was also assaulted by Hausserman, at the age of 73, has schools, while worker's families accused returned for a "similar the robbers. She ran into the kitretired from practice, and is now are cared for by the company hos- purchase and, on this "occasion, chen where she beat upon a tin gold mines in the world, the have a church, a theatre, athletic second five-dollar note he had tendered was a forgery. The No less than 60,000 Filipinos accused then gave a "dollar note." look up to the Hausserman enter- took the digarettes and change.

> As he was about to leave the the premises, the accountant conversed with the foki who had accepted the first note, and gave chase. The accused was arrested as he was boarding a tram.

REFUGEES IN THE COLONY

An increase of 281 in the number of refugees and destitutes in the Colony for the week ending Mar, 16, is shown in the returns of those accommodated in Government camps, etc., Urban and Rural Areas:-

Urban Areas (Civilians): King's Park 1,302 against 1,314

and responsibility he will evenon Mar. 9. Ma Tau Chung 1,390 against 1,33

Although now on a combined on Mar. 9. business and pleasure trip to the North Point 1,410 against 1,412 United States, the Judge's work is on Mar. 9.

still unfinished. He has reached Urban Areas (Soldiers): the point (economically), when "I In Hospital 14 against 16 on Mar. have made enough to keep me and |9.

my family comfortably for the Argyle Street, 699 against 699 on rest of our lives," (to use his own Mar. 9.

Urban Areas (Tai Hang): Nevertheless his main concern Squatters' Camp 1,245 against 920

today is not further augment his on Mar. 9. wealth, but to share it wisely with Rural Areas: those who helped him to build up . Kam -Tin 2,097 against 1,969 on his industrial and financial struc- Mar. 9."

tures, without disrupting the San Uk Ling - against 222 on equilibrium of national economy; Mar. 9. Total: 8,616 against 8,335 on and with those who are less for-

AT SESSIONS The story of how a village couple struggled pluckily with three armed robbers in Chuen Wan, New Territories, on Jan. 28, was related in the Supreme Court yesterday when three man, Sung Yuk-lan, alias Sung Tung, 29, Hui Chung, 26 and Wan Chun, 28. were arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholi MacGregor, charged with assault with intent to rob. The jury comprising Messrs, Ip Kwai-chung (foreman), Yeung Shek-sin, Wong Kam-plu, Hyim Phoon, Wong Tat and W. A. Tansley, returned a verdict of Guilty, FIRED REVOLVER

pan and shouted for help.

without retiring.

GENERAL

Plucky Fight

By Village

ASSAULT CHARGE

Couple

Sung and Wan, who had previous conviction, were each sentericed to three years' hard labour. while Hui was sentenced to twoand-a-half years' hard labour.

NEW SOLICITOR IN COLONY

Mr. Pak Chuen - woo Admitted"

Mr. Pak Chuen-woo, son of the late Mr. Woo Hai-tong, was ad-'mitted to practice as a solicitor at the Supreme Court yesterday on the application of Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholi MacGregor,

Mr. Pak Chuen-woo is also the nephew of Mr. H. K. Woo and cousin of Mr. P. Y. Woo, both of the firm of Woo and Woo, solici-

IN LONDON

The applicant said Mr. Alabaster, obtained his M.A. degree at the London University in 1937, and he was admitted as a solicitor in England just over a year ago-in February, 1939

Until quite recently he had been studying for the degree of ed his course but came to the new to Hongkong at the Rose Room the London University highly Steinschneider, mezzo-soprano. commending him in

GREAT PLEASURE

The Chief Justice said it was a very great pleasure to him to accede to the Attorney-General's request, It was a particular pleasure to do so in the case of Mr. Pak Chuen-woo because his uncle. and cousins were both very wellknown to his Lordship, and both of whom held honourable places in the legal profession. He was sure that Mr. Pak would add to that high reputation, and he hoped he would have happiness and success in his career at the Bar: Mr D L Strellett represented the Bar.

129 DEATHS IN H.K.: T.B. 90. SMALL - POX 11

A total of 129 deaths occurred in the Colony during the week-ended Mr. E. M. Raymond, the Assistant | Mar. 16. Of this fatal, small-pox and tuberculosis claimed 101; the returns showing 90 deaths from tuberculosis (160 cases notified) and 11 deaths from small-pox (12) cases notified.

> Other returns were: 10 deaths from cerebro-spinal fever (21 cases notified—one imported), 7 deaths from enteric fever (11 cases notifled—one imported), 5 deaths from diphtheria (11 cases notified), 3 deaths from measles (13 cases notified), and 3 deaths from dysentery (30 cases notified).

Eighteen cases of chicken-pox (3 imported) and one case of scarlet fever were also notified during the

ON MONDAY

Twenty-five cases of tuberculosis. four cases of small-pox, eight cases i phtheria and one case of enteric dysentery, three cases of fever were notified to the Health chicken-pox, two cases of

Harp Recital At Peninsula Hotel

Mr. J. R. M. Smith is prevented by illness from conducting the string orchestra, which will now be under the direction of Pro. N. A.

Solange Renie is the niece and pupil of the famous French harpist. Henriette Renie, one movement of whose harp concert she will play with the orchestra. She will also play with the orchestra Debussy's Dance Sacree and Dance profans and in addition two groups of harp solos.

Conservatoire de Paris and was one of the members of the Renie Septette where she took the place of Grandiany on his departure for America. Since coming to the Far East (where her husband is in the French Consular Service) she has given many successful concerts in Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin and Japan, and recently was invited by Mde. M. Quezon, wife of the President of the Philippines to give private concerts for her. Solange Renie will also give a short radio

VIENNESE SINGER

by the Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China and the proceeds will be used for the Kweiyang Orthopaedic Hospital for wounded and disabled soldiers and civilians. Tickets (\$2) each may be obtained from the office of the Foreign Auxiliary, Gloucester Building, First Floor, Room 3, or the Anderson Music Company.

di- authorities on Mar. 18.



MUSICAL TREAT ON MAR. 28

Doctor of Philosophy at the Lon- | The musical public will have the don University. He had complet- opportunity of hearing two artists, East shortly before his thesis had of the Peninsula Hotel at 9.15 p.m. been read. However, said Mr. on Tursday, March 28. They are Alabaster, he had with him a let- | Solange Renie (Mde. J. Siguret), ter from Dean of the Faculty of harpist and Angelika Meesler-

HARP SOLOS

Solange Renie studied at the broadcast on March 21.

In addition, Angelika Meesler-Steinschneider, mezzo - soprano from the Vienna Opera will contribute two groups of songs.

The concert is being arranged

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SEQUEL

NINE MOTORISTS FINED \$240

Failure to obey traffic regulations during the recent black-out resulted in the appearance of several motorcar drivers before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday.

Mrs. S. M. Ho, of No. 7, Castle Road, was fined \$25 for failing to -cover the side lights of her car during the black-out period.

Three other Chinese drivers who were summoned for similar offences were each fined \$30 while five more were each fined \$25.

Traffic-Inspector F. J. Clarke told the Court that prior to the exercise, some 250,000 leaflets were posted and distributed to people reminding them of the traffic regulations during black-out.

MR. J. W. MORRIS

as the American President Lines, ground. and who now makes his headquarters in San Francisco, as was described by Dr. Kwan. Manager for foreign agencies of the Trans-continental and Western Air, Inc., will arrive in Honskong by Pan American Afrways Clipper during the latter part of this month on an inspection tour in the interests of his company.

The American President Lines. "Inc. are General Agents throughout China for Trans-continental & Western Air, Inc. which is one Atlantic coasta.

BLACK-OUT CANCER PATIENT'S LEAP TO DEATH AT QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL

Octogenarian Woman's Desperate Act

How an 80-year-old woman, named Lam Tang, who had been undergoing treatment for cancer of the bladder, became desperate and threw herself from the sixth floor of the Queen Mary Hospital to end her suffering, was told at an inquest held in the Central Court yesterday.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon sat as Coroner, assisted by a jury comprising of Messrs. Ip Kam-wah (Foreman), Alexander Hyde Lay and Thomas Herbert Edgar.

A verdict of suicide was recorded.

On the night of February 15, a European Sister found everything in order after her rounds in the Queen Mary Hospital. After midnight, two nurses went off duty for a meal, leaving the amah in charge in "that particular ward, and when Sister Baker returned she discovered that the bed No. 12 was empty. A quick search was in-Mr. J. W. Morris, who for many stituted, and finally from a small years was Passenger Agent in bathroom window, six floors below Hongkong for the Dollar Steam- them, they saw the body of the ship Line before its reorganisation woman patient lying on the

The postmortem examination

Ngok, of No. 63, Connaught Road, testified that she had asked him to bring her funeral clothes, but he said. "You're not going to die."

Later he identified the body. Nurse Hul Wai-hing said that pu and Pinghu in east Cheklang ever since the operation, the de- has been cut by Chinese mobile ceased had never got out of bed.

The amah, Lee Cheung, said that The Japanese garrison troops at of the largest airlines operating when she was left in charge of the Chapu dare not, venture out in between the Pacific and the ward by the two-nurses, she sat view of the activeness of guerillas of down, felt giddy but did not sleep; outside the city.

DONATIONS TO ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION

Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade, gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following donations:-

H.E. the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote \$100; Hongkong Chinese Women's Club \$30; Watson's & Co., per Collecting Tin \$25.28; Wallace Harper & Co. 320; Mr. A. Raymond \$5: Wing On Co., per Collecting Tin The woman's grandson, Cheung \$3.16; "One Fortieth" per S.C.M. Post \$1; Nestles Milk Co. (China) Ltd.—2 cases of Condensed Milk.

> CHUNGKING, Mar. 18 (Central) -Water communication at Chaunits, says a Shanghai dispatch.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE

A SHIP'S NAME.

OFFICIAL

NOTICE

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE SECOND DRAWING FOR PRINCIPAL REPAYMENT OF THE 27TH YEAR GOLD LOAN OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (1938).

Notice is hereby given that the above Drawing was duly held on the First of February, 1940 Three numbers each were drawn covering three different currencles of Bonds of the above Loan

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Coupons No. 2 of the abovementioned Bonds in three currencies amounting to C.G.U. 2,492,500, £ 249,250 and U.S.\$ 1. 246,250 respectively due April 30, 1940, shall also be payable as beginning of that date, and to be valid for six years, after which period they shall become null and void.

'All drawn bonds when presented for repayment of principal must have 28 Coupons Nos. 3 to 30 attached thereon. In case of any shortage, the amount of the missing coupons shall be deducted from the proceeds of the principal repayable.

> Ministry of Finance National Government of the Republic of China,

March 2, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CON-DITIONS of the Sale by Public. Auction to be held on Tuesday,

one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nei Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the Kong for a term of 5 years. KING, for one further term of 75 years.

that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit, with an required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase on payment of the Purchase price. price.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that this Administration, so far, neither has its Office nor any authourised agent in Hong Kong; and the public is advised to guard against any one making use o the Administration's name or re presenting himself as its agent for deceitful purposes.

Yunnan - Burma. Highway Transport Administration, Ministry of Communication,

Kunming, China.

HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Govern. Ordinance, THE EX-CHANGE BANKS will CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 22nd, 23rd and 25th March, 1940. (Easter Holi.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1940.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventy first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders the year ended the 31st Decem. APRIL, 1940. ber, 1939.

1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,

The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CON-DITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 26th day of March 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor one lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase

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I, PANG KWOK SUI George Grimble & Co., 1, Princes Building, Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of Change of Ownership I have applied to the Minister of Ship- 11 a.m. for the purpose of preping, under Section 47 of Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, respect of the ship "HANG SANG" of Hong Kong Official number 114779 of gross tonnage and fixing their fees. 2141 tons, register tonnage 1356 tons, heretofore owned by Indo China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., of Hong Kong, for the per-

by PANG KWOK SUI. Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong, within seven days from the appearance of this ad-

mission to change her name

"TAIPOSHAN" and to have her

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Dated at Hong Kong, this 20th day of March, 1940.

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PANG KWOK SUI.

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4% DEBENTURES

NOTICE IS" HEREBY will be held at the Offices of the GIVEN that . INTEREST for undersigned on Thursday, the 4th the six months ending 31st April, 1940, at Noon, for the MARCH, 1940, on the above purpose of receiving the Report DEBENTURES will be payable of the General Managers, together at the OFFICES of the COM with a statement of Accounts for PANY on MONDAY, 1st

THE REGISTER OF DE resolution: The Share Register and Trans. BENTURES will be closed from fer Books will be closed from the MONDAY, 25th MARCH, to 21st March, to the 4th April, SATURDAY, 30th MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer to DEBEN. "TURES can be registered.

> By Order of the Board of Directors.

> > O. EAGER,

Secretary. Hong Kong, 18th March, 1940.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CON-DITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 26th day of March 1940, at ".p.m., 'at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st .July, 1898, "with " the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, senting the Report of the Direcin tors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March, to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, 22nd Feb., 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC "COMPANY, LIMITED."

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special

> That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,-000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all original Capital of the Com-

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:--

That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1940, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing Fractional Certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share.

By order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON &

Hong Kong, 22nd Feb., 1940.

CO., LTD. Agents.

THE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE FIFTY THIRD OR. DINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. TUESDA 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive,

By Order of the Board of

Directors, C. M. MANNERS, Secretary & Manager. Hong Kong, 11th March, 1940.

N. JACOBSON & CO. Amsterdam C shippers of Chemicals, Fertilizers, Metals and Hardware. Agents in China wanted

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Hongkong, March 20, 1940"

THE BLITZKRIEG OF DIPLOMACY

has not yet begun, but the blitzkrieg of diplomacy has been in full swing for months and is prodigal with climaxes and surprises.

DESPITE Britain's persistent courting of Italy, the it was this." "axis twins" have met again, to demonstrate their solidarity and clear the way for new threats. Hitler wants a the past two years and unwhatever he can get by perwith his old slogan of "Tunis-Corsica-Nice."

portunity and led to the pre- which the Allies are at war. such share shall, at such sent war. A reversion to the THE DIPLOMATIC BLITZera of Four Power Pacts is KRIEG is an essential part." therefore most unlikely, des- of the general war in the milpite the nostalgic dreams of itary, political and economic its proponents.

offensive in the West, he must adventures in ineptitude.

NATIONAL PROBABLE STARTERS. **IOCKEYS**

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-Probable starters and jockeys in the Grand National are as follows: Royal Mail, Williams; Royal Daniell, Moore: Professor Second. Owen; The Uplifter, Danny Morgan; Dunhill Castle, Parvin; Rockquilla, Carey; Workman, Hyde; Red Eagle, Elder: Dominicks Cross, Mitchell; Black Hawk, Rimell; Kilstar, Archibald: Away. Coleman: Timber Wolf, Nicholson; Hillhead Prince, Wilson; Macmoffat, Alder, John Chinaman, Magee; Milano, M. Jones; Knights Brook, Moloney; Venturesome Knight, Mr. Tweedie; Litigant, Mr. Black: Lecygne, O'Grady; Symaethis, Feakes; Inversible, Hogan; Bogskar, Foley; Boyo, Taylor; National Night, H. Jones: Takvor Pacha, Major Priopalmer; Corniaw, Myles; Luxborough (no jockey); Lazy Boots, Ward; Prime, Mr. Marsh; Cordite I, Morgan; Underbid, Bissill; Bachelor Prince (no jockey); Downright, Captain Seeley; Tuckmill, Kelly; Gold Arrow, Lay: Second Act, Dowdeswell: Red Freeman, Redmond: Sterling Duck, Brogan.

Airgeadsios is being scratched and Chesterton, Bally Fox and Young Mischief are doubtful start-

LATEST CALL, OVERS

The latest call-over in the Grand National is as follows:---

Kilstar (15-2 o.): Professor Second (100-9 o., 12-1 t.); Royal Danieli (100-7 o.); Sterling Duke-(20-1 o.); Venturesome Knight. (33-1 t. and o.); Inversible (33- o.). "Call-over in the Lincolnshire is as follows:-

Quartier Maitre (7-1' o., 15-2 t.); Titan (15-2 o., 8-1 t.); Timestep (100-8 o.); Wonersh (100-7 o.); Aldine (100-6 o.) and Southport. (20-1 o.).

Probable starters and jockeys are: Golden Sovereign, Beary; Hotbun Second. Sam Wragg; Boomps-a-Daisy, Nevett; Wonersh, Weston; Titan, E. Smith; Quartier Maitre, Gordon Richards; Southport, Lowrey; Fioretti, Lane; Paul Beg, Gunn; Davy Dolittle, A. Burns; Squadron Castle, Dyson; Aldine. Richardson; Reynards Lodge, Wells: Mrs. Nodgrass, Pevans: Rosetown, D. Smith: Ticcagari, Tucker: Uncle Archie, Mullins: Puntgun, Dick; Hamac." Sharpe: Bannymede, Nicoll.

Time Step, Nagor, Elinca, Corena (no jockeys).

Fast Step, Fairfax, King's Gap, Spliced and Straight Four doubtful starters.

respects pari passu with the THE BLITZKRIEG of arms be reasonably sure that ne will not be flanked in the Balkans. He can have this assurance if Italy reverts to her pre-arranged role as Mediterranean watchdog of the Rome-Berlin Axis. If he asked Mussolini for anything,

AS FOR THE U.S.S.R. its

leaders have stated on a number of occasions that it was not pulling anybody's chestpeace that will leave him in nuts out of the fire, and it possession of his conquests of looks as though they meant just that. The existence of questioned hegemony of Cen- diametrically opposing intertral Europe. Mussolini, acting pretations of the peace in as "honest broker" wants Finland—one, that it was a major diplomatic blow at the sistent fishing in troubled Allies, and two, that it was waters. If the Allies suffer directly chiefly at Germany," further diplomatic reverses, making her forever powerless he may once more blaze forth in the Baltic, indicates clearly the Soviet Union was defending its own security as it saw THE POPE, Mussolini, and, it against all comers, yesterit is highly probable, Mr. day Hitler, today the advo-Sumner Welles, continue to cates of a new Archangel exuphold the old "lightning pedition among the Allies, torod" theory which, since morrow—any other Power or Locarno, has seen the solu- combination. This being the tion of all European conflicts case, there is no reason why in Four Power Pacts and the Hitler should be the only like directed against the So-| beneficiary of Soviet neuviet. It is likely that these trality. With a less shortviews are shared by consider-sighted approach, the Allies able groups of people in Lon- too could draw some sustendon, Paris and Berlin. But ance from it. To bristle with all who have experienced re- threats against Russia is decent history will know that it liberately to give up this opwas this dangerous calcula- portunity and to forget that tion that gave Hitler his op- it is, after all, Germany with

spheres. So far, the trump SINCE THERE DOES NOT cards have been presented on appear to be any road back, a salver to Fuehrer, Duce and it is logical to suppose that Mikado to play as they please. the struggle is being intensi- If this had not been done. fled and that the meeting on there would most probably the Brenner was devoted to have been no war today. Now the strategy of this struggle. that the war has come, there-If Hitler is to launch an seems little excuse for further

GREATER VIGOUR WAR DEMANDED BY ALLIED PRESS

More Energy Required In Taking Initiative

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—There is unanimity in the British and French press in asking for greater vigour in the prosecution of the war by the Allies.

The Times asks whether British diplomacy and war. policy concurred with making the greatest effort.

"Are we hitting as often as

relaxing into com-

we can and whenever

British effort."

can? Public opinion, so far

LABOUR ORGAN"

doing all they can to "keep diplo-

In Paris, the consensus of

opinion is summed up by the

Figaro, which says that what

matters is to have the Govern-

ment prosecute the war with

ANOTHER ASPECT

NEW YORK, Mar. 19 (Reuter)

-The clamour for action is seen

in another light by the New

York Herald Tribune. "Hitler."

says the paper "would win an

important victory if the Allied

High Command is forced into

hasty or ill-judged action."

the last ounce of energy.

matic initiative on their side.

Finns Take Everything Of Value From Hangoe

EVACUATION ACTIVITY

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) -A message from Hangoe says that desperate last-minute efforts are being made by the Finns to re- it " move everything of value from this bomb-wrecked, half-deserted city before the Russians march in to take possession on Saturday. Evacuation must be completed by midnight on Friday.

Reuter's correspondent says "When I drove here from Helsingfors, the last section of the road was blocked by lorfies loaded with household goods and furniture.

"Scenes of pathetic activity in Hangoe are typical of what happening in other ceded areas in Finland. Civilians and soldiers are working hard in emptying houses and piling furniture in the roadways, and efforts are being made to ensure that nothing movable will be left for the Rusmovable will be left for the Rus-

MARTIAL LAW IN SOVIET - OCCUPIED FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 19 (Reuter) Martial law has been proclaimed in those parts of Finland already occupied by Russian troops.

This follows closely on the news that the entire Karelian Isthmus M. SVINFHVUD

ROME, Mar. 19 (Reuter) - M. Svinfhyud, former Finnish mier, was received in audience by " the Pope" yesterday morning.

NAZI ANXIETY LONDON Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The German radio and press are playing up the Scapa Flow for all they are worth and are now asking Germans to believe that most of Royal Navy has been destroyed. It was stated in London that this lying propaganda reflects the Nazi anxiety to convince the Germans that at last the Nazi

NAZI TROOPS RAID FRENCH OUTPOSTS

Governmen; has begun to justify

its existence.

PARIS, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-German troops yesterday carried out several raids on French outposts on a twelve-mile front between the basin forted by the Moselle and the Nied rivers.

The defenders raked the Germans with withering fire from automatic arms and were backed by strong support from artillery which drove the raiders back. French patrols were also active

in this sector. PARIS, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-A War communique says that there was nothing of importance to re-

A war communique issued in Paris yesterday stated that "there was nothing to report.

. DEATH IN HOSPITAL

A message from London states that Major Frank Vernon, wellknown theatrical producer, died of pneumonia in a B. E. F. military hospital, according to Reuter's special correspondent with the B. E. F.

FRENCH CALL TO THE COLOURS

sent to North Africa:

PUPPETS TO MEET IN NANKING

PROSECUTION

NEW REGIME TO GOVERNMENT OF CHUNGKING

Wang Keh-min, head of the Pei. ter)-Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secping Provisional Government, and retary to the U.S. Treasury, denied four other Peiping Government reports that negotiations between delegates, in addition to two the Anglo-French Purchasing delegates from the Japanese con- Board and American seroplane trolled Mongolian, "Government manufacturers have been suspend, and Major-General Morioka, ed. Director of the North China Liaison Office of the China Af- He declared that the negotiations placency, would like to see a fairs Board, who recently succeed, were still proceeding as far as he more dynamic current run- cd Lieut-General, Kita left for knew and they would not be afning through the Franco-Nanking yesterday morning to fected by the forthcoming Conattend the Central Political Con- gressional enquiry into foreign ference opening there on Mar. 20, purchases of aircraft. The Daily Herald, commenting at which the Central Government The reports were also discounton Nazi diplomatic activity, asks of China is expected to be finally ed by th British Purchasing Comwhether Britain and France, are decided.

NEW REGIME "They must not just sit down Government" circles that the new tion and the reported uncertainty and watch the gyrations of Herr Government organisation. will over the exact types the Allies will von Ribbentrop. With all the closely follow that of the Chung- be able to buy in the contracts resources at their command they king Central Government, which may affect the speed with which must take the initiative and keep it is intended to supplant.

MR. WELLES NOT INTERMEDIARY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (Reuz ter)-The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, denied in a press interview yesterday that Mr. Sumner Welles was an intermediary between European Powers.

Mr. Hull emphasised that Mr. Welles' trip was purely to ascertain facts and he had strictly kept to this.

PEACE LATEST DIAGNOSIS HITLER-IL DUCE TALKS

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—"No peace plan but Russian-Italian rapprochement and a Russian-German-Italian re-arrangement of Europe" is the latest diagnosis of the Hitler-Mussolini talks by well-informed Dutch correspondents in Berlin.

area along Lake Ladoga will be still go no further than to say would be solved by a vast transfortified with the Voroshilov Line, that speculations are wrong migration of peoples; and, at the same time, to oppose energetically any tendency to minimise the importance of the event.

> The German Press confines itself to eulogising the Axis solidarity and pointing out alleged uneasiness in Paris and London.

> The Wilhelmstrasse, however, is openly talking of the desirability of better understanding between Russia and Italy, 📜 🐇

HITLER'S PEACE **PROPOSALS** TO POPE

NEW YORK, Mar. 19 (Reuter) -A Rome dispatch to the New York Times says that Herr Hitler's peace proposals, which the Nazi Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop gave to His Holiness the Pope, are understood in Vatican circles to comprise the following eleven points:

General, simultaneous and immediate disarmament on land, sea and air:

A return to the Four-Power Pact, which would divide the zones of influence in Europe and inaugurate an anti-Bolshevik policy with the idea of liberating Russia, my arms, if necessary, from Communism;

Recognition of absolute religious freedom, after emigration of all German Jews. under the direction of Britain to Palestine, of Italy to Ethiopia and France to Madagascar:

Absolute freedom of trade and access to raw materials, close contacts with the United States and facilitation of German and Ttalian emigration;

Restitution within 20 years of the German colonies, or equal colonial compensation, or, at least, protection for German emigration in determined areas in Africa;

Reconstruction of an independent Poland, composed primarily According to the Rome Radio of the central areas, with about Signor Mussolini will probably 10,000,000 people: Gdynia to be a receive Mr. Sumner Welles this PARIS Mar. 19 (Havas)-It was free Polish port; free trade to morning, and adds: "What was officially stated that the next Poles through Danzig; the Polish discussed between Il Duce and the death was announced here of the contingent, of men of twenty frontier to be determined by the Fuehrer during the two-and-a- well-known journalist. Mr. Herbert the rates for neutrals should be public investigation by all rest but Lord Halifax was not convinced years of age, will be called to the basis of a plebiscite controlled by half hours cordial conversation in Sidebotham, who was particularly colou-s on April 15. Some will be international commissions; the the Brenner Pass is still a matter known for his articles in the Sunminority problems of Poland and for conjecture."

Official German circles will he whole of the Danube Basin

The Czechs, Slovaks and Magyars to constitute a tripartite state allied to the Reich for 25 years with Germany enjoying certain privileges in industry and communications;

Austria to remain in the Reich:

A Danube Federation to be constituted as a sort of union to equalise the interests of large and small states, the Federation to comprise of Germany, Italy, Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bohemia, and Slovakia:

The status quo in the Balkans to be guaranteed! and Free customs transit for Italian goods through Djibou-

ti; free passage of the Suez Canal on the expiration of the Convention in 1945; new status for Italians in Tunis.

GIVEN TO WELLES Mr. Sumner Welles was also given these terms by Herr von Ribbentrop who is reported tohave told everybody that there would be a great spring offensive if the peace effort failed.

According to one theory, Mr. Welles has convinced Signor Mussolini that there is no hope for such a peace plan and Il Duce, therefore, went to see Herr Hitler to induce him to modify the plan considerably.

FRENCH PRESS "NO"

PARIS, Mar. 19 (Reuter)—An this, it is thought, will likely foreshadow the tenor of the Chamber debate later in the day.

It is generally agreed that this require increasing. peace offensive is accompanied by the threat that, if the German advances are refused an alliance between Germany, Italy and Russia will follow

"CONJECTURE" LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)

Purchase Of U.S. Planes For Allies

REPORTED HITCH IN NEGOTIATIONS ARE DENIED

PEIPING, Mar. 19 (Reuter) WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (Reu-

NOT AFFECTED

mission.

"Nevertheless, some observers feel It is learned from "Provisional that the forthcoming investigathe Allies can secure planes.

CHAMBER IN SECRET SESSION

PARIS. Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The Chamber went into a secret session this afternoon to discuss the international situation and the repercussion of the Finnish-Soviet

The Government motion that the debate should be held in a secret session was carried without division and it is expected that M Daladier, Premier, will, be in a position to reveal interesting facts about the meeting between Mussolini and Hitler.

R.A.F. GUNNERS TO BE GRANTED COMMISSIONS

LONDON: Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The rapid increase of the Royal Air Force has brought a demand for more air-gunners and, for the first time in the history of the Service, commissions will granted for the duration of the

Men between the ages of 28 and 35 will be accepted

The award of commissions recognises the vital part of air-gunners play when a bomber is attacked by enemy fighters. ..

COMPARISON WITH R.A.F. ACTIVITIES

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The activities of the R.A.F. compare very favourably with those of their equivalent, says the Manchester Guardian. NAZI CLAIMS

With regard to the death of a civilian and slight damage to a warship in Saturday's raid, the Daper says that the German claims are as fantastic as usual. The raid did little to compare with the R.A.F. raids on German naval bases. The Germans have not yet found it possible to launch any air action comparable with the R.A.F. attacks on Wilhelmshaven and Brunsbuttel, when several direct hits were made on a pocket battleship from a height of a few hundred feet.

WOMEN WORK ON NIGHT SHIFTS

"ANKARA, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-With a view to ensuring the counenergetic "no" was returned by try's preparedness to face any the press of all Parties to the eventuality, the Government is to latest German peace offensive and extend the daily working hours from 9 to 12 in all industries. factories, workshops, mines and other departments, whose outputs

The new law will apply to women and children, as well as to men, and women and children will, in future, work on night shifts which was hitherto strictly forbidden:

DEATH OF MR. H. SIDEBOTHAM

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The day Times, signed "Scrutator."

FIGHTING ON KWANGSI BORDER

CHINESE TROOPS ATTACK SHEKKI

KWEILIN, Mar. 19 (Central)-A communique issued by the Generalissimo's Provisional Headquarters for the South-West states that Japanese troops yesterday reached the neighbourhood of Lingshan, 60 miles north-east of Yamchow, in West Kwangtung. near the Kwangst border, where they are encountering stubborn Chinese resistance.

TOWN RECAPTURED On the south bank of the Watkiang River, the Chinese once. again recaptured Shih Erh Tan, north-west of Tatang. Japanese communications on the Nanning-Yamchow highway have been cut. About fifty Chinese civilians at Nachen and Tamheitsun on the South Kwangsi border were killed when the Japanese passed through the villages.

COUNTER-ATTACK

SHIUKWAN, Mar. 19 (Central)-Chinese troops have been counterattacking the Japanese at Shekki, inflicting many casualties.

In East Kwangtung, Chinese troops advancing on Chaoan (Chaochow) have reached the northern suburbs.

Church Bells For Metal Reserves

BERLIN, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-All church bells will be handed to the State "is order to create metal reserves necessary for the conduct of the war over a long period," according to an official decree. An ersato (substitute) metal and adequate compensation, is

Copper used for certain parts of a building must also be regis-

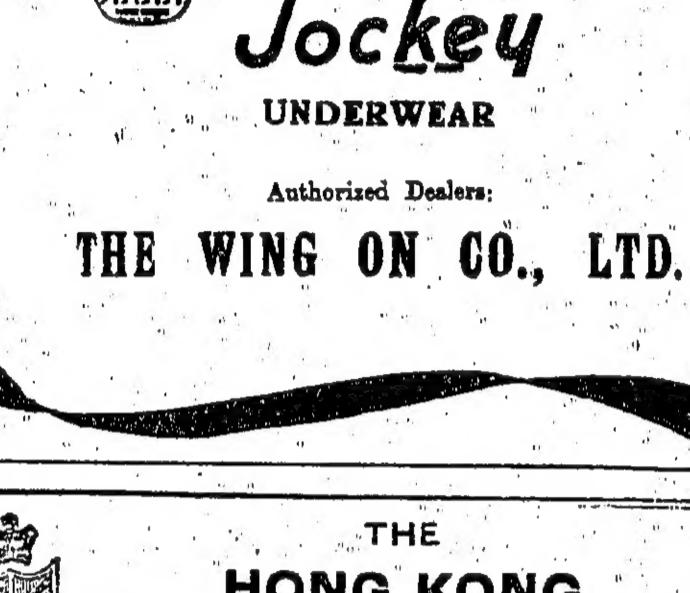
LIFEBOAT INST. GOLD MEDAL

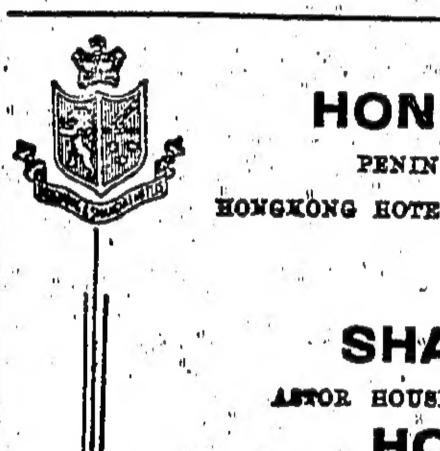
Coxswain Robert Cross, of the Humber - Lifeboat, which has rescued 189 lives since the outbreak of war, has been awarded the much-prized Lifeboat Institution's Gold Medal for conspicious gallantry in rescuing the whole of the crew of the Grimsby trawler Saint Gurth which were driven ashore in gales.—(BWS).

SOCIALIST PARTY MANIFESTO

CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central) -The headquarters of the Chinese National Socialist Party in Chungking has issued a manifesto emphatically denying that it supports Wang Ching-wei.

LINE YOUR SPRING SUIT COMFORT: Your suit will look its best if you don't "squirm" it out of shape with uncomfortable underwear. And of course, with Jockey Underwear you can't squirm! The patented Y-front construction gives masculine support, with a convenient angled opening that will not gap. Clothes hang better over this 2-piece knit underwear tailored to fit the male figure everywhere. Originated add manufactured by Coopers. Various fabrics and models, with shirts to match.





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SPEEDY **EXPANSION OF** OF SHIPBUILDING WANTED: MINISTRY CRITICISED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, MAR. 19 (REUTER) -THE SHIPPING AND SHIP-BUILDING POSITION WAS REVIEWED IN THE HOUSE COMMONS, yesterday, when Mr. E. Shinwell, (Opposition Labour) in moving a motion criticising the Ministry of Shipping and demanding speedy expansion of the ahipbuilding programme, clared that the Minister entered into agreements with neutral shipowners for the use of their vessels at rates much higher than were received by British shipowners.

have lost more than 750,000 tons market. of merchant shipping in the first Sir John Gilmour mentioned ment proposed to supplement the six months of the war besides that loans of £4,750,000 were compensation in the case of commany vessels damaged," he said granted in respect of the 55 new plete disablement by 5s. for the There were at present over vessels and referred to the pro- wife and 3s, for each child under 16,000 men unemployed in the posed scheme of compensation by 15 years of age. shipbuilding and ship repairing which owners of ships lost by There will also be an increase industries, as well as 20,000 engl- war risks would be given cash in the scale of cases of partial

He understood that 70 per cent. the ship was insured before the It is a temporary scheme for of shipbuilding at present was on war plus a sum to be held in meeting the cases of hardship benaval account and suggested that trust until the owner signed a fore the Royal Commission now the Admiralty should be request- contract for replacement of the sitting to consider workmen's ed to release as many skilled men ship." as they could for the building of the merchant navy.

Sir J. Gilmour, Minister of Shipping paid a tribute to the men of the mercantile marine and the LONDON, Mar. 19 (Heuter)—A (economic, territorial and racial fishermen and the very valu- World Peace Commission was sug- problems which made for war and able concributions made by the gested at question time in the to discover whether there were Empire, particularly India.

trais, the Government were com- judicial examination of the chief circumstances.

PROGRAMME

Compensation For Workmen

INCREASE IN SCALE OF PAYMENTS LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-An

increase in workmen's compensation was announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. TEMPORARY SCHEME

"It is rather marming that we peting in the international Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that Govern-

to-the equal amount for which disablement.

compensation.

House of Commons yesterday by Mr. principles for a per eful settle-He said that Government was Arthur Woodburn (Labour), who ment of international disputes satisfied that the agreements asked the Prime Minister whether which could generally be accepted with neutral owners represented the Government was prepared to by all nations?" a reasonable bargain to the set up a League Commission, at Mr. R. A. Butler, replying, said mutual advantage of both parties some suitable neutral place, to that Mr. Woodburn's ultimate and that it was inevitable that provide now an opportunity for a sims were no doubt widely desired. higher than those for British ponsible for conditions of per- that the precise method he proships, because in chartering neu- manent world peace and for a posed would be the best in the

The result of the year's working

is gratifying and the increase of

\$2,940.13 in the balance of cash

SUNDRY REVENUE INCREASE

sult of an allowance of \$500 made

by the Hongkong Jockey Club. As

you are doubtless aware, this As-

sociation assists with parking ar-

Meetings and this allowance has

work. The balance of this item

represents revenue from cocktail

speech last year.

moderate.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received Instructions

to sell by

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Thursday, the 21st March, 1940 commencing at 2.39 p.m.

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Teakwood Drawing Room, Bed Room, Dining Room and Office a branch of the "Busy Bees" in Furniture, Ornaments, Cutlery, E. The Gambia and in a recent mea-P., Brass, Aluminium, Glass and Porcelain Ware, Carpets, Rugs, Perambulators, Electric Table "Bess." Heaters, Pictures. Gramophones and Records. Cooking Uterisils, etc., etc.

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One Steel Filing Cabinet

On View from Wednesday, the 22nd March, 1949.

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LONDON GAZETTE FRIDAY, MARCH 8 ADMIRALTY, FEBRUARY

Comdr. W. A. Whitaker placed on Retd. List (Jan. 9).

Lieuts, to be Lieut,-Comdrs,-J. G. Hopkins, J. G. S. Cunningham. The Lord Hugh T de la P. Beresford, T. Emanuel, J. A. Burnett, J. G. B. Stratton, M. Bruce, R. M. E. Pain, J. D. Watson, J. W. S. Corbett, S. R. White, G. W. W. H. Paine, A. F. P. Lewis, C. R. Williams, F. M. Griffiths, N. S. Henderson, R. T. Paul, C. E. R. Sharp, D. P. Dreyer, R. E. Washbourn (Feb. 1).

Capt. G. R. Hawkins to be Bt. Maj. (Mar. 1).

FEBRUARY 27 R.M.

Col. Sec. Comdt. A. P. Dawson, ().B.E., to be Col. Comdt. (Tempy. Brig.) (Mar. 1); Col. Sec. Comdt. N. K. Jolley, O.B.E., apptd. Asst. Adjt.-Gen., Royal Marines (Mar.

FEBRUARY 28. R.M.

Lt.-Col. St. G. F. G. Caulfeild to be Tempy. Col. (Feb. 23).

MARCH 1

Corndr, N. D. B. Taylor placed on Retri List with rank of Capt.

(Jan: 21). MARCH 4

approved that in future Admirals | Japanese goods as long as the war placed on the Active List of the ago. "Royal Navy, with their original seniorities, as, stated below:-Admirals of the Fleet:-Sir Henry, F. Oliver, G. C. B., K.C.M.G., M.V.O.; LL.D. (Jan. 21, 1928); Sir Beauvoir Brock, M.G. (Jan. 21, 1933); Sir Reginald, King's Terrace, Kowloon, Mr. Y. Tyrwhitt, Bt., G.C.B., D.S.O., 8 D.C.L. (Oxon). (July 31, 1934). Supplement to the London Gazette of Tuesday, March 5:--

WAR OFFICE, MARCH 8 REGULAR, ARMY

Maj.-Gen. P. C. S. Hobart, C. B., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C. retires on ret. pay. (March 9): Col. F. Thornton is placed on the h.p. list (Jan: 15); Col. F. Thornton is restd. to. full pay" (Jan. 28).

The folig, appty is made:--Lt. (actg. Maj.-Gen.) L. W. Ampa. C.B.E., to be a Dir. Dec. 5, 1939). QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL OBE, M.C. (late Gloster R.) h.p. of opinions may be obtained, may your readers interested in this MILITARY NURSING SERVICE: List is restd, to full pay whilst we suggested that this letter be subject are requested to express Sister Miss C. McShane resigns, spec empld: (Dec. 28, 1939).

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR "BUSY BEES"

Greater Efforts Called For As Result Of War

The annual general meeting of the Bees' was held at the residence of Mrs. R. A. D. Forrest, the Acting President, who kindly entertained members to tea, on Monday.

The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. B. E. Maughan, in presenting her report stated:-

perhaps, be out of place to men- sawing parties.

tion that 1939 completed the 10th year of the existence of the "Busy Bees," for it was in February, 1939 that Lady Southorn called together a small band of workers, the main object in view being to obtain by the results of their labours, funds for charitable distribution, particularly to further the work of St. Dunstans.

It may not be generally known that Lady Southorn also founded sage I was requested to convey her best wishes to all Hongkons

Since the inauguration of the Working Party, much has been achieved. .. In consequence of the war, greater efforts were called for but members responded so readily, that I am happy to report that, not only have we been able to do our bit for the services, but we have achieved a greater success financially than has ever before been attained, so that during the year under review, we have indeed merited the name "Busy Bees."

VALUED ASSISTANCE

We were unfortunate in losing the valued assistance of Mrs. N. such splendid results. L Smith our President, and Mrs. W. J. Carrie. Vice-President. who early in the year left for home. We are extremely grateful to Mrs. Forrest who has kindly acted during the President's absence and so year. willingly taken an active part in all our activities.

With reference to the year's work, I would particularly mention members and make a useful contribution to the work going. first parcel despatched by the B.W.O.F., and up to date you may be interested to know that our contribution has been: - 146 scarves, 113 pairs of mittens, 62 pairs of socks 56 pairs of hospital stockings, 25 pullovers, and 18 helmets, in addition to hospital supplies. In this connexion, our thanks are due to the Hon. Mr. T. H. King for so kindly permitting

Before reviewing our activities the use of the Recreation Room at for the past year, it would not, the Fire Brigade Building for our

NOT RELAXED

Busy as we have kept by this special work, our efforts on behalf of St. Dunstan's and other charities have not been relaxed. addition to 10 bridge and mah jong drives held during the year. the sale of work and drive held at the Hongkong Hotel in October was a great success. Over 250 attended, our funds greatly benefited, and we are very grateful to Lady Northcote who so kindly attended and presented the prizes,

The work of the Personal Service League was 'not forgotten. Mrs. Carrie very kindly, undertock to deliver the articles made by members for this Service.

Turning to the statement of accounts, it will be seen that a balance of \$1,485.70 is available for distribution to charity. With such a small working party is most gratifying and it would be invidious of me to attempt. make special mention of the work of any particular member. would, however, express my very

sincere thanks to all our friends who by their gifts of prizes and, in other ways, have so greatly assisted us in our efforts to attain

Finally, to Mrs. Forrest and all members I would say-thank you' -for your loyal support which has contributed in no small measure to our success during the past

MRS. MAUGHAN

The report and statement of accounts having been duly adopted. Mrs. Forrest said that in parthe eargerness with which many ticular she had to mention the defriends gave voted work of the Secretary and material help on behalf of the Treasurer. Mrs. Maughan, who men on active service. The knit- while confined to bed in hospital ting needles were so quickly put for over two months even then to their use that we were able to managed to keep her part of the

ALLOCATIONS

It was agreed to allocate funds available for charity to:-St. Dunstan's £50 National Deaf and Blind

Helpers League £10 Salvation Army Poktulam Blind Home ... Balance to the Hongkong Benevolent Society.

CHINA BRANCH OF CORRESPONDENCE I.P.C. TO ATTEND INDIA NATIONAL CONGRESS

CHUNGKING Mar. 18 (Int'l)-The India National Congress, which is to meet at Ramgarh, in Bihar Province, from Mar. 19 to 21, has invited the China Branch of the International Peace Campaign to attend the meeting. Several representatives left here early last week for that pariey.

It will be recalled that at its last annual session the Congress called on the India people to join His Majesty The King having in a movement of boycott against of the Fleet shall be borne on the of aggression on China continues. Active List of the Royal Navy for This Congress was also responsible life, and that those on the Retired for the despatch of a medical List shall be restored to the Active | corps to China shortly after the

WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The wedding took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yester-G.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.C.L. day, of Dr. Lu Kwan-chuan, As-(Oxon). (July 31, 1929); Sir sistant Resident Surgeon, of the K.C.V.O., C.M.G., D.S.O., LL.D., residing now at No, 12, Tsing difficult ones. D.C.L. (Oxon), M.P. (Hon, Col. Fung Street, and, Miss Tsao. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Brigade, and Miss Tso Chi-leung. residing at No. 336, Des Voeux Road West

her appt. (Feb. 5).

MEMORANDA

CROSSWORD

HEADACHE

The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press Sir,-We are delighted to say

that we are devout readers of your esteemed paper particularly taking a keen interest, in the Cross-word Puzzle "which, we should think is the main reason why we are included to read your

Though our horizon of know-

ledge is not broad enough, we find it easy to deal with the simple puzzles which interest us to the fullest extent. Recently, to our greatest disappointment, we came. across such difficult and abstruse List, the following officers are re- outbreak of hostilities two years puzzles set by you during the past, few days that we had to stand at our wit's end, being unable to get through even half of it. Asthis kind of puzzles involves a very wide knowledge of history; geopaphy, and common sense, we dare say that it is beyond the ability of an average person somuch-so that we see no reason-Roger J. B. Keyes, Bt., G.C.B., Peiping Union Medical College, why you insist on setting these

Standing on this viewpoint and Comdt., R.M.). (May 8, 1930); Sir, Ching-hua, Assistant Head Nurse, on the grounds that there is no Frederick L. Field, G.C.B., K.C. of the same College, of No. 1, prize for the solution whatsoever, we deem it our privilege to tender our request for the resumption of the simple cross-word puzzles which, apart from provid-The forthcoming marriage is ing interest to the public in genannounced of Mr. Liu Pak-kwan, erai, may result in the multipliofficer of the Hongkong Fire cation of the circulation of your valued paper

Thanking you for your wellfavoured attention to this matter, and hoping for your compliance with our request,

> We are, Yours timily:

CRAZY GUYS Lt.-Col. R. M. Grazebrook, P.S. In order that a concensus published in the correspondence their respective views.

ture. The charge is very Home. Turning to the Payments side of the account, the increase of \$1,362.13 in Patrols' wages is ap-

parent and is due to the fact that it was found necessary to engage in controlling the increasing been placed under our supervision by the Police.

Eastern Touring Federation, for medical supplies to the war which has its headquarters at Colombo

\$500 SAVED

Under the caption "Road Serthat no European Patrols' Allowances were paid in 1939. As surpatrols were abolished. Committee felt that they serving no useful purpose and the \$500 thus saved has gone towards meeting the increase in Patrols' Wages already referred to.

The situation in Europe, which culminated in the outbreak war on September 3, has doubtedly affected foreign ing. During the past year, however. 20 members were assisted with their tours which covered Europe generally. Indo-China. South Africa, Java, Burma, Stam-Australia, Canada and the U.S.A. Since 16th instant, we have taken control of parking arrangements "opposite the Alhambra Theatre and Saigon Street in Kowloon; pairols will be on duty in these areas between \$5.30 p.m. and midnight each day.

TRAFFIC NOISES

The nuisance created by traffic noises in the business area has formed the subject of correspondence between the Hon. Commissioner of Police and the Association." Two suggestions were put forward by your, Committee-

That a 24-hour silent zone be instituted in the area bounded on the west by Pottinger Street, on the north by Connaught Road, on the east by Jackson Road and on the

south by Queen's Road That a speed limit of 15 to 20 mph. be instituted in the area Des Voeux Central between Pottinger Street and Ice House Street, throughout. the entire length of Pedder Street, and in Chater Road between Pedder Street and Ice House Street.

It is obvious that the imposition of silence necessitates reduce speed.

These suggestions were favourably received by the Hon. Commissioner of Police who, however, pointed out that several alterations would have to be made in the local Traffic Regulations, to bring them into force. The new Regulations are still

under discussion but we hope the time is not far distant when the screaming of horns and the clanging of bells, etc. will be: abolished from the business

A 24-hour silent zone exists. over the whole of the business section of Singapore and we are informed that it is: working very smoothly.

I should like to express my appreciation of the assistance which we have received from the Police Department during the past year. I also wish to thank my Committee for their whole-hearted

column of your paper and tha

Automobile Association Annual Meeting

Continued from Page I

and willing support during my The "President continued in term of office.

OFFICERS ELECTED The election of office bearers for the current year resulted as fol-

on current account and in hand is satisfactory. Income from \$10 President, Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell: Vice-President, Mr. B. Wong Tape: subscriptions shows an increase Committee, Messrs. L. C. F. Belof \$1,770 over 1938 and was foreshadowed in my predecessor's lamy, C. C. Black, J. K. Bousfield, Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., Messrs. J. D. Danby, B. D. Evans, M. H. Lo, Major C. M. Man-Sundry Revenue of \$667.2 ners, O.B.E., Messrs, W. R. Mansshows a substantial increase over field, D. L. Newbigging. the previous year and is the re-

TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT Before the meeting terminated. Major Manners said that he would take the opportunity of thanking rangements, etc., at all Race their past President, Mr. Justice Lindsell, who was leaving the been granted in return for our Colony shortly, after 30 years of service here. Mr. Lindsell had been a member of the Association for parties and dances. May I re- 15 years and was President during mind members that it is always the past year. Few had rendered possible to hire patrols to assist such long and untiring service to with parking arrangements at the Colony. He hoped Mr. Lindsell any private functions of this na- would enjoy his retirement at

SUCCESSFUL CHARITY DANCE

The Charity Dinner Dance in four additional patrols to assist aid of the China War Relief Fund organized by the Wah Yan Past number of car parks which have student's Association at the Hotel Cecil on Saturday last was attended by over 200 people, and a con-During the past year, the Asso- siderable sum the exact figure to ciation became a member of The be announced later, was realized torn areas.

In a brief welcoming speech, Mr Ko Fook Son. President of the Association, thanked Sir Shouson vice Expenses," you will notice Chow, KT., C. M. G. and the V. Rev. R W. Gallagher, S. J. Ph. D. for consenting to be patrons, gested by the President at the the guests for their generous suplast annual meeting, road service port, the artists, the management of the Hotel and the Finance Subcommittee for their untiring efforts in contributing towards success of the function

Mrs. Percy Chen received much applause for her swan dance, while Miss Elvie Yuen. Mrs. Steinschneider, Mr. Wu Pak Chau, Mrs. J Green and Mr. Oswald Lyen contributed vocal and musical items. excellent master of ceremonies.



THOSE WHO KNOW, SAY IT'S THE SCOTCH.

FOR LATE DR. TSAI

A memorial service for the late Dr. Tsai Yuan-pei. President of the Academia Sinica who died here on March 5, will be held at the University of Hongkong or March 24 simultaneously with ser, vices in other parts of China.

The committee for the service will include Gen Hsu Chung-chin Gen. Wu Te-chen. Sir Robert Kotewall, Mr. Yeh Kung-chao, Mr. Sung Han-chang, Mr. Chang I-ling, Mr. Wang Yun-wu and Prof. Hsu Ti-

MORE SOVIET HELP FOR CHINA NOW

SHIUKWAN, Mar. 18 (Int'l)— More substantial Soviet support to 8 Suggestions for remedial mea-China is forthcoming, now that sures, etc. Russia has ended the war in Finland, according to reliable reports reaching here.

Japanese troops in Central and North China are being dispatched to Hellungkiang in north-eastern Manchukuo in view of the Sagharelations.

MEMORIAL SERVICE INFORMATION ON NORTH CHINA FLOOD OF 1939 WANTED

The Chinese Society of Hydraulic Engineers desires to collect the following information regarding the flood of 1939 in North China,

1. Cause of the flood: 2. Districts and areas inundated at the highest stage of flood: 3. Information regarding breach of dykes, such as date of the rupture, location and dimensions of crevasse and percentage of total discharge passing through the etc. 4. Damage

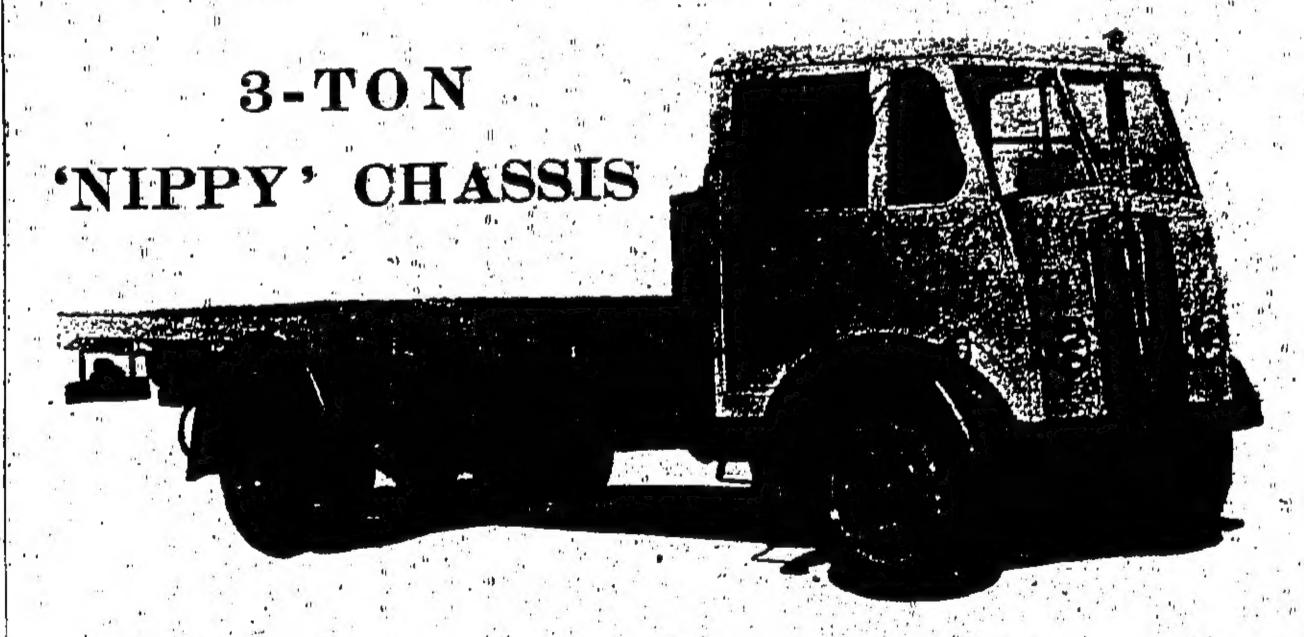
to dykes; 5. Discriptions of drainage of flood water, such as course taken by the flood flow. date of which the inundated land was dried out, etc; 6. Details of any change in river channels. lakes, etc: 7. Estimate of losses;

Any such information either in the form of a public report or nersonal records will be gratefully received and paid for, if so re-

address: The Chinese Please Society of Hydraulic Engineers, lien border clashes and the gen- c/o The Chinese Institute of En-Mr. Chan Sing Toa acted as an eral worsening of Soviet-Japanese gineers, P.O. Box No. 184, Hongkong.

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BRITAIN'S NEW WAR LOAN OVER - SUBSCRIBED:

OF FUTURE GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

JOHN SIMON'S STATEMENT IN COMMONS

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Renter)-In the House of Commons yesterday, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced that the three per cent War Loan had been over-subscribed.

FUTURE ISSUES Referring to the issue of Government securities in future, Sir John Simon said that the policy of the Government was to aim at has been signed. should, after making due allowance force immediately. lished by the terms of the recent whole sterling area. two per cent Conversion Loan and three per cent Loan just issued.

MINIMUM PRICES In these circumstances, Sir John Simon welcomed the action taken yesterday by the Committee of the London Stock Exchange: in announcing a revised list of minimum prices for Governmenet securities

The new minima bore a closer relationship between the existing prices than those fixed on the outbreak of war and might be taken as evidence of a desire on the part of the authorities concerned to co-operate in the policy of maintaining the interest rates at the present level.

Sir John Simon added that larger applicants had been allotted about eighty per cent, and concluded: "I shall want some more later on."

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

NEW DELHI, Mar. 19 (Reuter) --On April 1. the Government of India will establish a Board of Scientific Industrial Research, introduce a policy which will be which will advise Government about the lines on which such research should be conducted to ensure development of Indian in-

dustry. to the effect of war conditions.

H.K. STOCK **EXCHANGE**

scale. One reason for this would soil health and industries. appear to be that sellers are not disposed to lower their prices, half a century the Malay States sidered first." This is well borne out by the prices paid for such transactions as recorded during the day.

BUYERS

Docks, \$23. Providents, \$5.20. Larids, \$38. Realtles, \$4.95. Tramways, \$18. Star Ferries, \$673. China Lights (O), \$8.20. China Lights (N), \$5.40. H.K. Electrics, \$684.

SELLERS Docks, \$231. Hotels, \$57. Lands, \$38. Tramways, \$18.20. Yaumati Ferries, \$271. Telephones (O), \$301. Ropes, \$6.05.

H.K. Bank, \$1500.

Entertainments, \$7.40.

Fires Ins., \$1871. Wharves, \$108. Docks: \$231. Providents, \$51. Lands, \$38. Realties, \$5. Tramways, \$18.10. Star Ferries, \$68. China Lights (O), \$8.30/.35. Telephones (O), \$301. Cements, \$19.80. "Ropes, \$6.

SALES

China Lights (O) 1,000 Dairy Farms (O), \$23.10, China Lights (N) 196 MANILA GOLD SHARES Atoks 17s, Antamok 12b, Bagulo China Providents 500 Gold 21b, Batong Buhay 011s, Big H.K. Docks 300 Wedge 17b, Coco Grove 11s, Consolidated Mines 0035s, Demonstration 104s, I.X.L. 35s. Tpo Gold 10b, H.K. Tramways ... Itogon Mining 22s, Masbate Consolidated 08s. Mine Operations H.K. Wharves 100 091s, North Gamarines 061b, Paracale Gummaus 19s, San Mauricio Realtys 500 Suyoc Consolidated 13s, Syndicate Investment 02s. United Paracale 25% Mindanao Motherlode 0948.

10,000 TONS OF

OIL FOR NAZIS SOPTA," Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The Bulgarian reaches of the Danube are now ice-free

Ten - thousand tons Rumanian and Soviet oil for Germany, which were recently held up at Varna are now being transferred for transport to its destination.

ANGLO - SPANISH TRADE PACT SIGNED

MARID, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The Anglo-Spanish Trade Agreement

stability of interest rates and to "According to a statement issued" secure that the yield offered on by the Spanish Foreign Office the future loans of whatever type Agreement which comes into for such factors as the periods of Spain to acquire raw materials in notice, importation, without separthe loans, be in agreement with determined quantities, not in ate licences, of consignments of the level of interest rates estab- the United Kingdom, but in the number of classes of foodstuffs,

agreement with Switzerland.

CONTROL OF **IMPORTATION** OF FOODSTUFFS

Food Ministry's New

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The Food Ministry has decided to take control of imported food-

The only exceptions are wines, spirits, fresh and cured fish, and ive animals.

OPEN LICENCES

The order will apply to all foodstuffs not already subject to licence. which were despatched after Mar. 20, and which arrive in Great Britain after Mar. 27.

COLONIAL GRANT

That the Malay States are at present not in need of any Colonial Office grants whatsoever but that Malaya desires to so invest her surpluses as to improve "the poor and depressed condition of the sons of the soil, their health and their industries" is the opinion expressed in a leading article in Majits, a lead-" ing Malay paper.

The paper adds that though the have been under the protection of new policy is sure to be welcomed the British, yet there are only Clippers. with pleasure and gratitude, so far about two dozen Malays in the as the F. M. S. is concerned, it is M. C. S., one Malay in the Colonial began last September there unnecessary to secure a grant for legal service, half a dozen has been a growing trend on the its improvement, as she is capable Malay police officers and one part of Americans to confine their of looking after her own deve- Malay electrical engineer. lopment without any outside help. so long as she is under British makes the Malay feel depressed operation figures for the full year protection and guidance.

IMPORTANT THING

Continuing, Majlis says that the only thing that is not importance at present is to lack of capital. of benefit to the Malays, the original inhabitants of the country, only up to the fifth standard,

Particular attention will be paid development of the poorer Colonies, evolution of this country. not in need of any grants ing the attitude of the Malays re- the final quarter. whatsoever.

income for the improvement of the her Colonies,

"Indeed, this is the reason that This trend, is reflected in the

and disheartened especially when 1939 contrasted to the gains made their being completely overpowered passenger miles, the year's gain be announced last night. in commerce and industry through for the System was 25 per cent. lack of knowledge in business and over 1938, whereas it was up 43 "Apart from that the highest quarters of 1938 and 1939.

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stuffs generally and a general able to the increased capacity order will be published in Mar. 21 afforded by the placing in service prohibiting imports of all food- during the year, of the huge 411 stuffs, including feeding-stuffs ton Honolulu Clipper and Cali for animals, except under licences fornia Clipper, sharing the opera-

Open general licences" will be iswill allow sued permitting, until further including bananas, fresh fruits. Spain has also signed a trade jams, chutney curry-powder and shell-fish.

NO SETBACK IN Orient showed an increase, for the last three months of 1939 over the GILT - EDGED TO final quarter of 1938, of 310 percent in passenger miles, and 303 per cent in the number of passen-BE PERMITTED gers carried. .These increases were attribut-

announcement by the company.

The Clippers flying from Cali-

fornia to Hawaii and the

tion with China and Philippine

Clippers to meet the demand for

increased service for mail, pas-

TRAFFIC GAINS

statistical information on the

entire system's operation shows

that the fourth quarter of the

year was unique in traffic gains

whole, there was an increase in

passenger miles flown of 43 per

cent.—from 20,960,875 in the final

quarter of 1938 to 29,892,887 in the

This was accomplished with an

air line travel during the year.

Passengers carried, in contrast

senger miles, jumped 17 percent

addition of the Transatlantic ser-

1939 and the placing in service on

travelling within the Americas

per cent. for the comparative final

MORE PASSENGERS

Since hostilities in

For the 62,000-mile System as

9,000-mile route to Hongkong

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter) The new minimum prices fixed by the Stock Exchange virtually pledge British authorities not to permit an appreciable gilt-edged setback, even temporarily, while there is every intention for procuring further advances opportunely.

Freights and commodities were sengers and express over the weak on the peace scare yester-

> NETHERLAND'S IMPORTS The huge Netherlands soya bean imports, for instance in January, exceeded normal. But the British authorities are satisfied that they are for the Netherlands and not for Germany. They are from America, and not Manchuria, and the increase is fully offset by lower Netherlands imports of oil-

corresponding period of 1939, seeds, including linseed. RESTRICTED BUSINESS increase of only 13 per cent, in LONDON, Mar 19 (Reuter)—On plane miles flown for the res- the Stock Exchange business was pective quarters, from 3,225,522 restricted by the uncertainty conin 1938's fourth quarter to 3.643.357 cerning the diplomatic moves in in the same period of 1939, in-Europe and the surprise announcedicating an increased intensity of ment of fixing new minimum prices for gilt-edged.

Prices in most sections eased to the 43 percent increase in pas- but offerings were only moderate Indian gold minings depressed in the last quarter of 1939, which on unconfirmed reports of a reflected, along with greater Mysore tax on proceeds of gold tength of trips generally, the sales.

Dealings started on the new vices to the System's routes in War Loan at par to a quarter discount and closed at three-eights the Pacific of the 41% ton super- discount.

Wall Street was easy.

ANGLO - SPANISH TRADE PACT

MADRID, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The signature of the Anglo-Spanish he ponders over the question of in the year's final quarter: In Trade Agreement was expected to

the quarter, 62 per cent, for the

No comparative figures for In miles flown, the gain was 7 per Atlantic service to Europe exist. Although the new policy is of which we are sorry to say is of cent, for the year against the 13 since service began in May of far-reaching importance in the very little importance in the social per cent, gain for the quarter. In 1939, The Bermuda service, which passengers carried, the airline was inaugurated in 1937 showed a the paper says, "we cannot help "We stress this sincere opinion showed a gain of 11 per cent. for gain of 91 per cent. in passengers feeling that the Malay States are or ours only with a view to show- the year against 17 per cent, for carried in the fourth quarters, 85 per cent. for the year. Since ingarding the matter, while it is This trend in the System as a auguration of Transatlantic air "In fact, what she does really clear to us how keenly interested whole was present in the Pacific mail service to Euope and the desire is to invest her surplus Great Britain is in improving all as well—the gain in passenger opening of the route to passenmiles of 310 per cent, for the final gers, the big Clippers, on twice-Business was on a restricted poor and depressed sons of the "We sincerely hope that any new quarter of 1939 may be contrasted weekly schedules, have carried policy to be introduced in the with the gain of 85 per cent, for nearly 2,000 passengers and more "Just consider that for nearly States should be carefully con- the year as a whole. Passengers than 50 tons of international air carried increased 303 per cent. for mail.



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MONEY AND **EXCHANGE**

CLOSING QUOTATIONS MARCH 19, 1940 On London:-Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 25/32

Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 25/33 Credits 4 months sight 1/3 3/32 On Shanghai:-On demand 350 On Singapore:-On demand 52 3/8

On Japan:-On demand 98 On India:-Telegraphic Transfer. 189 and demand On New York:-Bank Bills, on demand 23, 1/8 Credits, 60 days' sight 24

On Batavia:-On demand 43. " On Paris: Bank Bills, on demand 1082 Credits 4 months sight 1137 On Salgon:-

On demand 108 on Manila:-On demand 46 1/4 On Bangkok:-On demand 150 1/2 On Sterling Notes:-Bank Buying Rate ... 1/3 31/32

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped 1/6 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations" being "20.13/16 for Ready and Forward, Silver advices reported India as having bought and Speculators as having sold. The marke, was steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York crossrate was quoted at 402,1/2. New York/London was quoted at 377.

Market

Quiet and without business. Sterling

Sellers at 1/2.27/32 March/ June, buyers at 1/2.7/8 Cash. U. S. Dollars

Were available at the rate of 23.5/16 for March during the early part of the morning, buyers bidding 23.7/16. The market was a shade easier at the close at 1 p.m. with sellers at 23.1/4 March and 23.3/16 April buyers at 23.3/8 and probably 23.5/16 March.

Shanghai Dollars 357.1/2.

Shanghai Market Sterling 4.1/8 and U.S. Dollars 6.1/2 both sellers for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET The market was idle in the afternoon.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/2..27/32 March/June. a: 1/2.7/8 Cash.

U. S. Dollars The market closed with probable sellers at 23.1/4 March and 3/16 April, buyers at 23.5/16 Cash and 23.1/4 April.

Shanghai Dollars Sellers at 358. Shanghai Market

Sterling sellers for Spot 4.9/84 and U.S. Dollars.

Shanghai Exchange Shanghai, Mar. 19 (Reuetr). Official T.T. Rates

London 0/4 New York India "..... Paris Hongkong 26-3/4

Sellers Closing Opening Spot 0/4-9/64 0/4 - 9/84Mar..... 0/4-1/8 0/4-1/8 April 0/4-5/64 0/4-1/18 "U.S. Dollars Spot \$8-1/2. \$6-1/2 8-15/32 Mar. 6-15/32

Market:-Quiet Merchant Rates Sterling, 0/4-1/8. U.S. Dollars. \$6-1/2

April 6-3/8

Silver Duty Rate The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d

The Equalisation rate was 9-1/2 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange Calcutta, Mar. 18 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 84-5/8.

New York Exchange

New York, Mar. 18 (Router). T.T. on London (Opening Rate). 3.76-3/4.

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COMMODITY MARKET

(FROM PAYNE & CO.) NEW YORK, MARCH 18, 1940. Previous March 18 SINGAPORE RUBBER Closing Opening Closing Change Buyers Buyers 37-1/4 ... 37-1/8 APRIL-JUNE 36-1/4 36 cts. 36-1/4 JULY-SEPT. 35 cts. 34-3/4

The market was steady but quiet. Previous close Today's close LONDON RUBBER Buyers Buyers 11-1/18 S P O T 11-1/8 APRIL 11-1/8 M A Y" 11-1/8 JULY-SEPT. 11 OCT.-DEC. 10-15/18 10-7/8

After ruling uncertain, the market closed steady. NEW YORK COTTON: The market developed remarkable absorptive powers. Liverpool, Bombay and domestic long interests sold actively, but offerings were well taken,

.. NEW YORK HIDES: There was some small 'Spot' sales at concessions. The market was quiet but steady,

CHICAGO WHEAT: Pressure was light on continued dry weathe in the South-West. The European political situation is being watched closely.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 145.76; Today's close. 145.59; Change, off .17:

YORK COMMODITY (REUTER'S SERVICE)

Prev. Today's Close Change High Low Close New York Cotton, May 10.48 10.40 18.08b 18.14 106 up 18.07 1007 Chicago Wheat, May Chicago Corn, May 13.62 13.42 New York Hides, June NEW YORK COTTON Close Closing Opening 10.47/48 May 10.52/52 10.45/43 10.27/27 10.23/23 July 10.29/29 10.41 N 10.33/33 July (New contract)... 10.43 N 9.65/65 October (....) 9.70/70 9.51/51 9.47/46 December (* 9.56/56 9.46 N 9.38/38 January *(,) 9.51 N * 10.72 N Total sales Saturday: 41,900 bales.

First notice day for cotton:-1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

March May July September December	18.085/10a 17.98/98 17.90/90	18.08/07 17.94/95 17.89/89	0	18.25b/29a 18.14/15 18.02b/04a 17.95/95 17.81/81	.05 .06 .04 .05	uj uj uj
Total sales:-930 top	,	10 10			,	
Last trading day: -2	27/3/40. m 1	**	4			7

CHICAGO WHEAT 1011/1019 1011/1001 May 1014/102 991/991 July 991/991 981/981 September 99/991 Saturday's sales:-18,036,000 bushels. CHICAGO CORN 551/551 May 554/554 561/561 July September 57/57 WINNIPEG WHEAT 871B May 882B July894/89 October 907B

NEW YORK HIDES 13.59/59 13.50/44 June 13.60/61 13.83/83 13,70/75 September 13.85/87 34-3/4 New York, Official unquoted 3.77-3/4 NY-London Cross Rate 3.73-1/2

SILVER MARKET

" LONDON SILVER London, Mar. 18 (Reuter). Silver-Speculators sold. Little Indian buying. Business small. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady. Spot: 20-13/16d. orward, 20-13/18d.

New York, Mar. 18 (Reuter) Bilver, Official, 34-3/4 BOMBAY SILVER Bombay, Mar. 18 (Reuter). Market Barely steady. Offtake 50

NEW YORK SILVER

bars. Indian Mint Silver Ready 56-04 Apr. 3 Settlement 56-04 May 1 Settlement 56-08

EXCHANGE.

London, Mar. 18 (Reuter). sellers 248-1/2

3 months 248 Standard, Set ment Price 248-1/4 Straits 273-1/2

Standard.

STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 19, 1940. STOCKS Last Sale Last Sale STOCKS " Lakey Foundry & Mac. Adams Express Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Alleghany Steel Co. 20; Lockheed Aircraft Allied Stores Loew's Inc. Allis Chalmers Lott Incorperated Aluminium Ltd. 99 Mack Truck Inc. Amer. Can Martin, Glen L American Cyanamid B. ... 37 McKesson & Robbins, pfd. Amer. & Foreign Power ... 1 Monsanto Chemical Amer & Foreign \$7 pf. ... Montgomery Ward American Gas & Elec. National Aviation Amer, Locomotive Nat. Dairy Products Amer. Metals Co. Nat. Distillers Amer. Radiator National Gypsum Amer. Rolling Mill National Lead Amer. S'ting and R'ing Co. Amer, Sugar Refining 19 Nat. Power & Light National Steel Corp. Amer. Tel, & Tel. 171 Amer. Tobacco "B" 881 National Supply Corp. Amer. Waterworks New York Central Niagara Hudson Power ... Anaconda Copper N. American Aviation Atchison, T. & S. Fe. North American Co. Auburn Motors Baltimore & Ohio Northern Pacific 72 Barber Asphalt Co. Owens-Illinois Glass Co. ... Pacific Gas & Elec 331 Barnsdall Oil Pacific Lighting Bendix Aviation Packard Motors Bethlehem Steel Pan-American Airways LBliss & Co. Paramount Pictures Boeing Airplane Co. Pennsylvania R.R. Borg-Warner Phelps-Dodge Bridgeport Brass, Corp. ... Phillips Petroleum Briggs Mfg. Pittsburg Coke & Iron ... Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans. Public Service of N.J. 414 Brooklyn-Manhattan \$6.... Pullman Inc. Canadian Pacific R'way ... Pure Oil Case. J.I. Radio Corpn. of Am. Celanese Reading Company. Com Chesapeake & Ohio Reading Company, 1st pid Chrysler Corpn. Remington Arms Co., Inc. Climax-Molybdenum Co. ... Republic Aviation Corp. ... Colts Patent Fire-Arms ... Republic Steel Columbia Gas & Elec. Revere Cop. & Brass Inc. ... Columbia 6% "A" pf. Reynold Tobac. "B" Commercial Credit Co. ... Richfield Oil Com. & Southern (Ord.) ... Safeway Stores 50 Consolidated Edison Schenley Distillers 121* Consolidated Oil Sears Roebuck Continental Can Shell Union OI Continental Oil Socony-Vacunum Oil Copperweld Steel Southern Pacific Corn Products Southern Rly \$5 pfd. Curtiss Wright (C.) Sperry 41 Curtiss Wright "A" "...... Spicer Manufacturing Co. Deere & Co. Standard Brands Distillers Corpn. Seagrams Stand Gas & Elec. Douglas Aircraft Standard Oil of California Du Pont de Nemours Standard Oil of N.J. Eagle Picher Lead Stone & Webster Eaton Mfg. Co. Studebaker Com. Elec. Autolite Swift International Elec. Bond & Share Technicolor Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf. Texas Corpn. Elec Bond & Share \$6 pf. Texes Gulf Sulphur Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf. Timken-Axle Fisk Rubber Trans-America Co. Flintkote 20th Cent. Fox. Gen. American Trans. 20th Cent. Fox. \$11 pf...... Gen. Electric Union Carbide & Carbon Gen. Motors Union Pacific Gen. Railway Signal : United Aircraft Gen. Tire & Rubber United Airlines Trans Glidden Co. United Corpn. Goodrich (B.F.) 184 United Corpn. \$3 cum pf. Goodrich \$5 pf. United Gas Corpn. Goodyear Tire & Co. United Gas Improvement Great Northern Iron Ore . U.S., Industrual Alcohol. ... Great Northern Rly, pfd, U.S. Rubber Great Western Sugar U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd. Greyhound Corpn. U.S. Steel Hercules Powder Co. --Vanadium Homestake Mining Walworth Co. International Harvester Warner Bros. Pict. Int Nickel Westinghouse Elec. Int Tel & Tel Woodward Iron Cor. Johns-Manville Chase National Bank J. & Laughlin Steel \$7, pfd.

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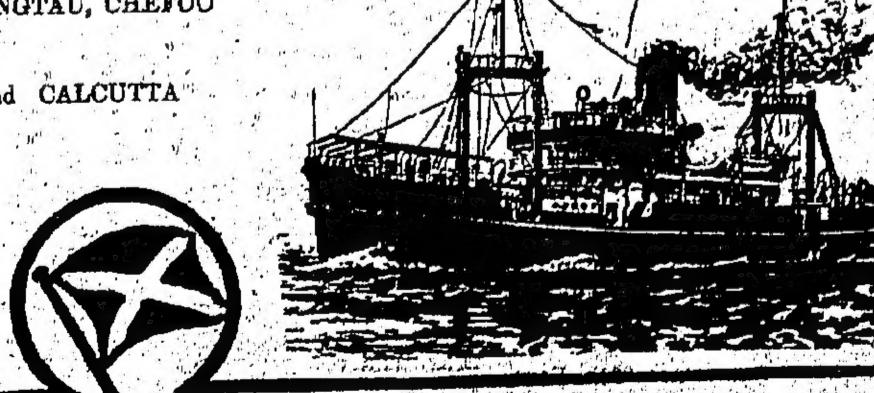
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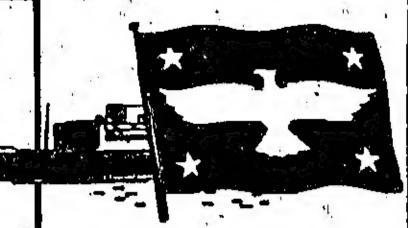
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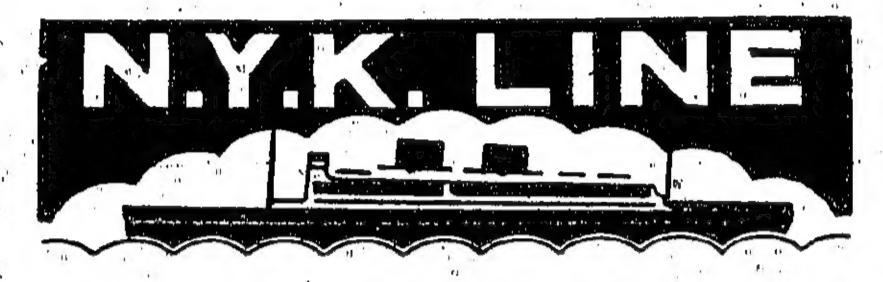
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FREQUENT CONFERENCES There will be conferences from time to time between the Gover-

nors of the neighbouring British

and French colonial territories; This contact will also be established between the Administrative and Specialist officers of the territories.

Regarding prosecution of the war in the economic field the Ministers agreed to examine the possibility of framing a co-ordinating programme of production and marketing various colonial products with the object of making the fullest possible use of their joint resources.

EXPERTS TO MEET

French and British experts will be meeting very shortly for this purpose.

SAILORS FROM GRAF SPEE

BUENOS AIRES, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The first contingent of 100 sailors from the scuttled Graf Spee left for internment at Mendoza. The remainder will be sent to other provinces.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

" 10 a.m., March 19. Barometer (at sea level), 29.94 ins. "Temperature, 60 F." Humidity, 94 per cent. . Wind Direction E. Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Temperature: maximum yesterday Temperature, minimum last night, 57. F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10 a.m. today, nil. Total rainfall since January, 1st 7.66 ins.

Against an average of, 4.39 ins. Sunset tonight, 6.34 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow, 6.28 a.m. 4 p.m., March 19. Barometer (at sea level), 29.87 ins.

Temperature, 61 F. Humidity, 94 per cent. Wind Direction, CALM. Wind Force (Beaufort), 0, Maximum temperature, 62 F. Minimum temperature, 57 F. Rainfall, 0.04,

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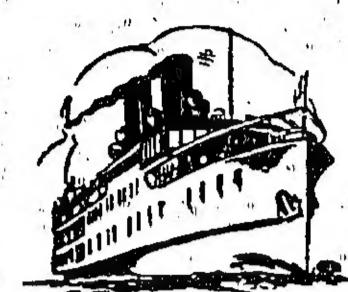
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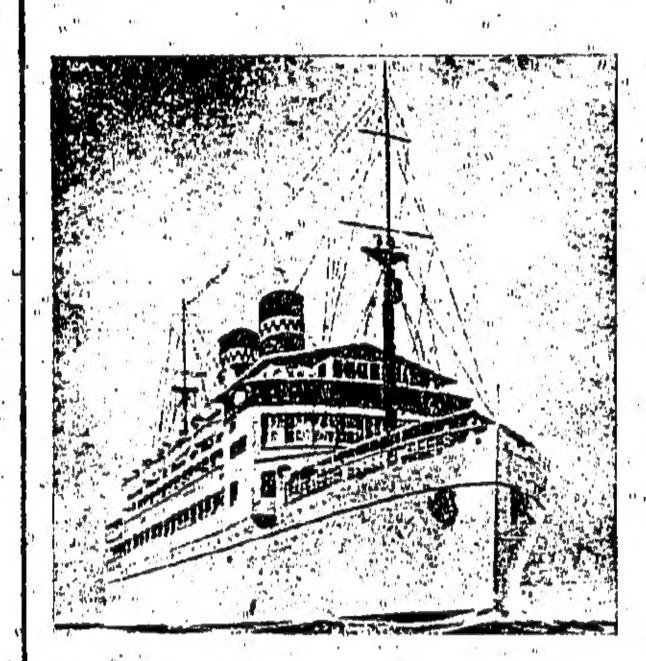


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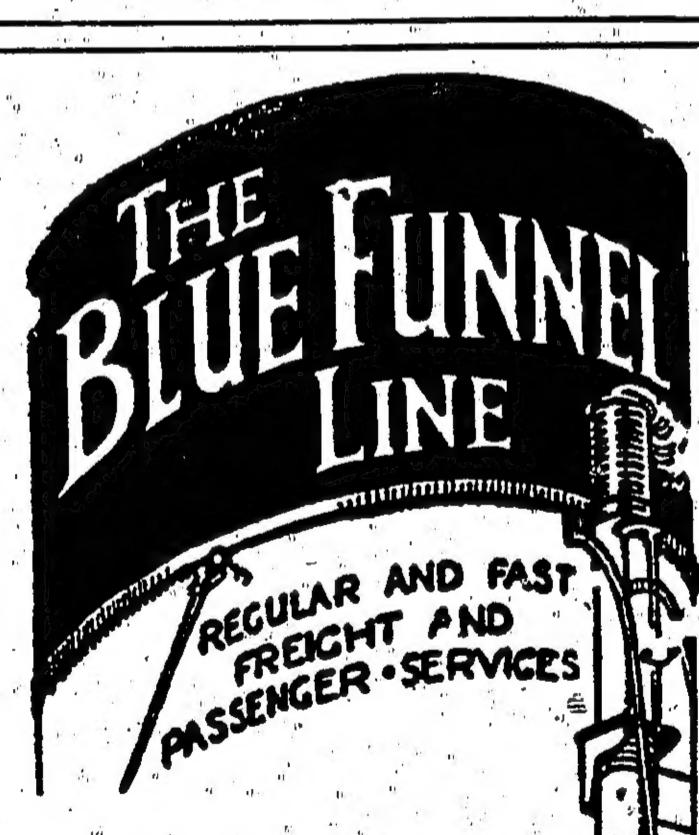
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help from friendly neutrals must; therefore, be weighted in the balance against Britain's own

Much as they desired to give Finland all she asked they had always to bear in mind that. whatever they gave, it was at the expense of their own strength and at the risk of their own people.

He emphasised that Finland's geographical position in relation to Britain was such that supplies had to traverse the North Sea dangers, pass through two other countries along a railway, already seriously overloaded, and then go long distances through Finland by railway which was never meant to carry such loads.

The difficulties were formidable but nevertheless the appeal from Finland did not remain unanswered and every request from Finland was considered promptly.

Mr. Chamberlain added that Britain did not hesitate, even the risk of themselves, to meet the Finnish needs as far as was pos-

Turning to the question of men. the Prime Minister said that in the middle of January their representative was informed by Field. Marshal Mannerbeim that be did not require men as his resources were sufficient to last until the thaw came. He did say he would be glad to have some 30,000 men in May but he stipulated they should be trained soldiers.

SWEDEN NERVOUS

given to understand that Finland and Sweden were nervous about the reaction "upon Germany and both hoped that any forces sent would not be sent officially. Having examined the situation, the British Cabinet was satisfied that an effective force for alding Finland was not possible on the volunteer basis and that the force required by May would only be available if raised on an official basis as a properly organised expedition.

Plans were prepared, discussed and approved at a meeting of the Supreme War Council on February 5. Preparations for the expedition

carried on with rapidity and at the beginning of March, a British and French expeditionary force of 100,000 men were ready to leave two months before Field-Marshal Mannerheim 'had asked for it to arrive.

TWO FACTORS

ridding factors.

Firstly, no effective expedition could arrive in Finland except by passing "through Norway and Sweden. Therefore, before it was despatch it was necessary to obtain ANNUAL MEETING the assent of those two Governments. It did not take much im- OF H.K.L.B.A. agination to conceive what was the

attitude of Germany. "We know now that as soon as she heard the rumour of such a countries she threatened Norway ciation will be held on March 29. and Sweden with her intervention she should be attacked by Ger- President, being in the chair. many. If the two Governments placed a limit on the size of the with \$181 in the previous year. force. In these circumstances we decided to provide the largest force which would be permitted by physical conditions that we had to economise. Part of the force would be required for as-. sistance to Sweden, part would be the expeditionary force to help Finland and additional troops would be required to maintain long line of communication."

SIZE OF FORCE

size of the force arrived at, on that basis, was about 100,000 men. It was suggested that Finland should make a public appeal for assistance not later than Mar. 5: "After that public appeal, we proposed ourselves to make a formal appeal to the Governments of Norway and Sweden to allow passage of the expeditionary force and we hoped that the result of the appeal from Finland

despatch of this force. We hoped cumstances.

Sweden and Norway might change their minds.

NO DECISION

In the end the date the Finns fixed for their decision to appeal for men passed without any decision. On the next day they heard that peace terms had been accepted. It was not for them to criticise the Finns. People who had put up such a fight as they had must be immune from all criticism.

Mr. Chamberlain said he wished to make it absolutely clear that they recognised all through that the Finns had the right to make their own decision in the light facts as known to them. Britain ought to accept that decision whether they would have preferred another, or not. Except for Field-marshal Mannerheim's request for 30,000 men in May no request of any sort for land forces was made by the Finns.

Mr. Chamberlain emphasised that if Norway and Sweden had given them passage the British and French expeditionary force could have arrived in Finland long before the date asked for.

GERMANY RESPONSIBILITY

"I say without hesitation neither Britain nor France have to reproach themselves for their action throughout this affair (cheers) but what about Germany's responsibility for this Finnish war stands squarely and solely on the shoulders of Germany," he added.

Mr. Chamberlain then doubted whether the security of Norway and Sweden had been preserved. On the contrary danger had been brought closer than ever to those two countries. Today it "stood upon their doorstep and they were bound to feel some sympathy for the position of those two countries. They thought they stood far enough outside the centre of disturbance not to suffer the fate of Czechoslovakia and Poland.

"I am bound to point out that this doctrine of neutrality which paralysed the action of Norway and Sweden was based on the assumption that anything was better for a small neutral country than to be involved in the war between Germany and the Allies. That, in turn, was based upon another assumption that it was a matter of indifference to those small neutral States whether the war ended in victory for Germany or the Allies. Until these assumptions are abandoned (cheers), and necessary deductions are drawn from that abandonment, the policy of those small neutral States will neither correspond to realities, nor will it nterests. Nothing will, or can, In constructions plans for the save them but the determination expedition there were two over- to defend themselves and join with others who are ready to aid. them in their defences."

The annual general meeting force passing through the two the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Asso-This was decided at a meeting if they gave their assent. We felt of the Council of the Association we must be ready also to provide held in the Board Room of the a force to come to the assistance South China Morning Post yesterof Sweden in defending herself if day evening, Dr. J. T. Smalley,

Mr. L. A. Gutierrez, Hon. Treagave their assent, transport faci- surer, reported a profit on last lities in Norway and Sweden year's working of \$308 compared

A letter from Mr. B. W. Bradbury suggested that there should be seeding of players in the championships and it was decided that the recommendation he brought before the annual meeting.

It was also proposed that the League be maintained and that a donation of \$50 be made to the Children's Playground Association.

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LONDON Mar 19 (Reuter)-Asked in the House of Commons how much of £1,000,000 is being would be that the two Govern- spent daily on air raid precautions ments concerned would not stand and evacuation, Bir John Simon, in the way. The Finns approach- Chancellor of the Exchequer, said" ed the Swedish Government in- that the current daily rate of exformally but the Swedish Gov- penditure on air raid precautions ernment could not agree to the and evacuation averaged nearly passage of regular armed forces. 2300,000 and £36,000, respectively. "That was very discourage ig The scale of air precautionary

news for us but we did not dis- measures was constantly under

Puppet's Extraordinary Outburst Against U.S.

NANKING, Mar. 19 (Reuter)bitter criticism of America's attitude towards Wang Ching-wei respondence as on Sundays. was made by Tang Leang-IL "Reformed Government" in interview reported by the pro-Wang Ching-wei News Agency.

Alleging that a "calculated" campaign of slander has been, and is being carried by a large section of the American press both in America and China-in China with the most incredible connivance of the American authorities-against Wang Chingwei and against the cause of peace which he represent," Tang

"This antagonism has not shown itself in the press alone, but also reveals itself in the extraordinary behaviour of American diplomats."

"If attacked, we will retaliate. not to beg for mercy, and offer the other cheek. That is the reason of our wrongly-called anti-American campaign," he as-

In Europe, American have canvassed enmity against Wang Ching-wei's forthcoming for no "Central Government" other apparent reason than because it is working for the interests of China and her people and refused to initate Chungking in subordinating those interests, and and the interests of the United States and other imperialistic countries

TROTS OFF TO CHUNGKING In China, the Minister con-

tinued, the American Ambassador. although his residence is within the territories of the forthcoming "Central Gövernment." he habitually trots off to Chungking supporting that regime officially and protecting all those carrying on seditious activities in the foreign settlement of Shanghai.

Tang Leang-li went on to say that Wang Ching-wel was just as desirous of maintaining friendly relations with the United States. as he was with other countries. but that friendship to be sincere and lasting had to be based on equality, reciprocity and mutual

"We shall meet friendship with friendship and hostility with hostility," he concluded, "unless, of course, we have to bow before force majeure."

He gave as an instance the unwanted and unnecessary foreign troops which "enabled certain be adequate to safeguard their own | foreigners and also a number of Chinese renegades to carry on territorial against legitimate sovereignty m a manner not dreamt of in other countries."

TWO MORE DESERT WANG CHUNGKING, Mar. 19 (Central) -Two more erstwhile followers of Wang Ching-wei have deserted him and are on their way to Chungking to seek the Government's pardon, according to a despatch from Shanghai.

They are Chow Yao-shan, former dean of the Kwang Hsla Middle School, and Tang Tsengyang, former principal of the Ming Kwang Middle School, both of

Chow was slated by Wang Chingwei to be director of education of the bogus Nanking city government, and Tang the director of the civil department of the bogus Chekiang Provincial Governmen under Wang's puppet regime.

Chow and Tang sent a joint let ter to Wang Ching-wei before thei departure from Shanghai, con demning him for selling out hi country under the cloak of hi "peace movement."

BADMINTON RESULTS

Matches in the Colony Badmin ton Championships last , night were played, with the following results:--

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A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira bea A L Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth 15-11. 15-9. At King's College, C. An and I

H. Wong beat R. Marques and I F. Gonsalves, 15-7, 15-2.

C.M.S. MISSIONARY' DEATH

LONDON, Mar. 19 (Reuter)-The death occurred at Guildford of Mr." continue our preparations for the review in the light of existing cir- Hugh Stowell Phillips, C.M.S. Missionary in Kienning.

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